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Mining program saved from cuts

Industry defends department

by Gil McGowan

Students and staff members within the program of Mining Engineering breathed a sigh of relief last weekend after learning that their program will not be closed.

For the past month and a half, Mining Engineering has been on the list of programs and departments slated for deletion in September. But, at a meeting of the University's Planning and Priorities Committee (PPC) held last Saturday, administrators agreed to reinstate funding for the beleaguered program.

According to J.M. Whiting, chairman of the department of Mining, Metallurgical and Petroleum Engineering, university administrators changed their minds about Mining Engineering after hearing arguments from faculty members and concerned members of the mining industry.

"I think we had a very solid case to present as to the benefits of mining to the province," he said.

At the meeting, Whiting pointed out that the U of A is one of only two institutions in western Canada offering degrees in Mining Engineering. He also argued that the University should not close any program that is as successful at finding job placements for its graduates as Mining Engineering has been.

Whiting received support from several representatives from the Alberta mining industry who attended the PPC meeting in order to explain how much they rely on graduates from the Mining Engineering program.

Don Currie, director of the Alberta Chamber of Resources, an organization that represents 180 resource extraction companies, said

he attended the meeting to discourage the U of A administration from making an "inappropriate decision." Currie acknowledged that the enrolment in Mining Engineering is small, but he didn't think that justified cancelling the program.

"There aren't a large number of graduates, but the ones we do get are really appreciated. Only mining engineers can do the job," he said.

Similar sentiments were expressed by representatives from two of Alberta's largest resource extraction companies, Syncrude and Suncor.

In addition to saving the Mining Engineering program, the administration has agreed not to dismantle other parts of the Department of Mineral, Metallurgical and Petroleum Engineering.

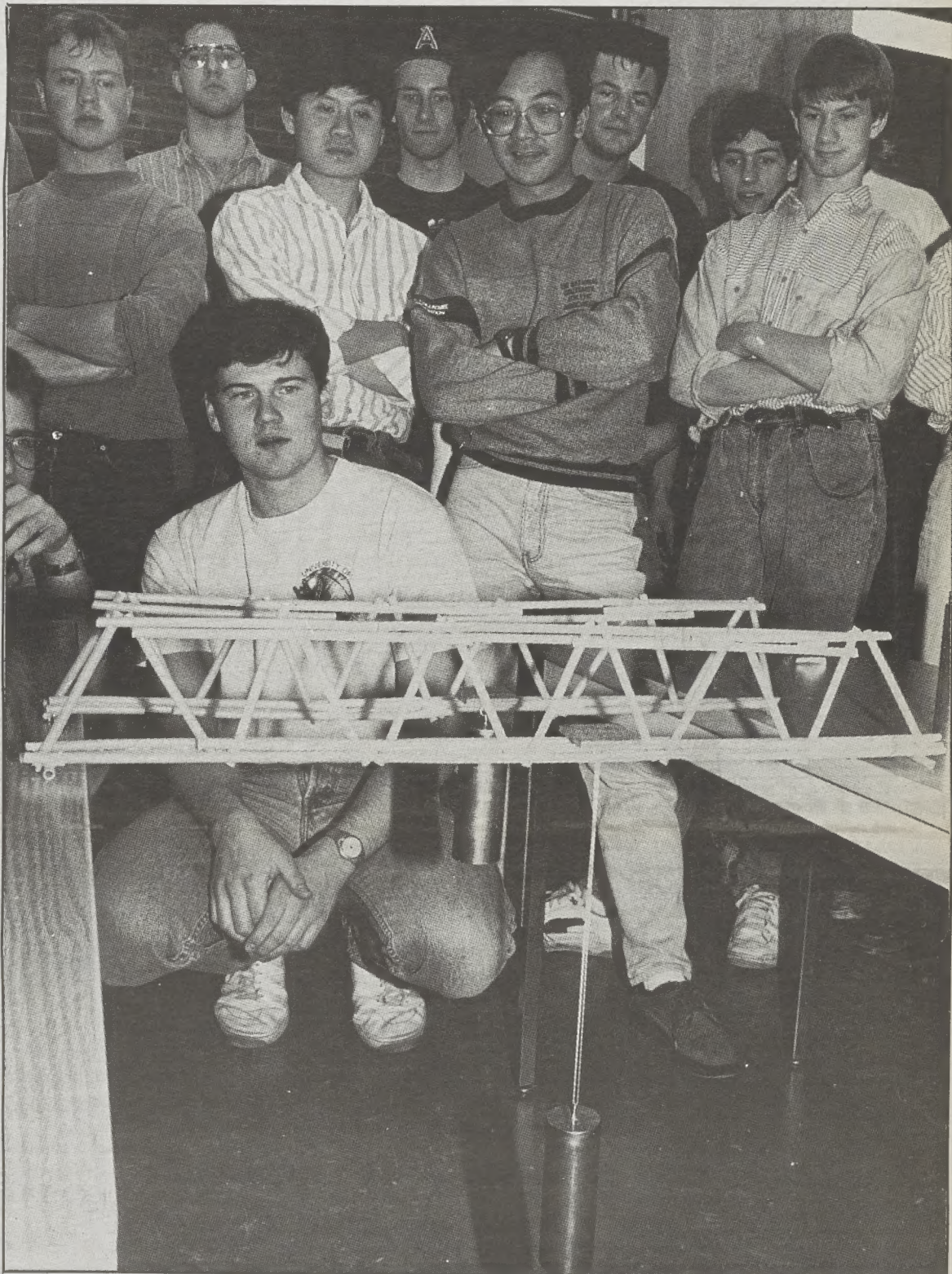
If the budget proposals put forward in February had been adopted, Metallurgical and Petroleum Engineering would have been downsized and combined with the Departments of Chemical and Mechanical Engineering. Several professors would also have been transferred to different faculties.

However, this will no longer be the case, thanks to the PPC decision.

"I'm very pleased... this will allow us to get on with more productive work," said Whiting.

Representatives from the U of A administration were not available for comment, but in an interview with the *Edmonton Sun* Tuesday, vice-president academic Peter Meekison said that the department of Mining, Metallurgical and Petroleum Engineering presented a very "persuasive" case.

No formal moves have been made to save the other departments and programs faced with closure.



Darrin Nielsen

The old spaghetti bridge

Mechanical engineers are great with pasta! Here a group of them have made this bridge out of noodles to support the weight below.

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"I can't imagine anyone who doesn't enjoy sex, who doesn't want sex all of the time. It's the best thing ever invented."
— Joe Willie Namath, former NFL quarterback

Old bus route in use by fall

by Christopher Spencer

Students and staff who appreciated the old location of the bus route on 89 avenue are in luck, as service will resume there this fall, according to a report issued by a joint University and City of Edmonton committee.

Campus bus service, rerouted since January 1990 to a temporary terminal in the Jubilee Auditorium parking lot, has been under consideration by the committee for several months. Complaints had been lodged by student and staff associations, as well as community groups who were concerned that the bus terminal would not return to 89 avenue.

Elizabeth M. Dechert, Senior Planning Officer with the University Planning and Development department, said Tuesday that she is "fairly optimistic" that the new

campus bus terminal will be completed by late September or October of this year.

"The insecurity (about the exact date) is strictly relevant to whether LRT construction will remain on schedule," Dechert said.

The committee recommended in its report that 89 avenue, which is currently closed to facilitate the construction of the University LRT Station, be reconstructed as a one-way (west to east), single lane bus roadway, with access restricted to transit, service, and emergency vehicles only. Drop-off zones will be established on both 112 and 114 streets for taxis, couriers, and "kiss'n'ride" passengers.

"The one-way system allows us much greater control over the flow of unauthorized traffic into the 89 avenue area," explained Dechert, noting that vehicles transporting

disabled students will be exempted from the access restrictions.

"We are also very concerned about pedestrian safety and we feel that two-way traffic exacerbates that situation," Dechert said.

If city council ratifies the committee's recommendations, the area of 89 avenue between Rutherford Square and Hub Mall will become a transit zone, with an island and two lanes for bus loading. Heated shelters will be provided for Edmonton Transit patrons, with direct access to the LRT provided through the adjacent station hall. (The University LRT Station will open in August of 1992.)

Jody Wilson, SU Housing and Transport commissioner, is pleased with the new design, and hopeful that the restoration of the 89 avenue

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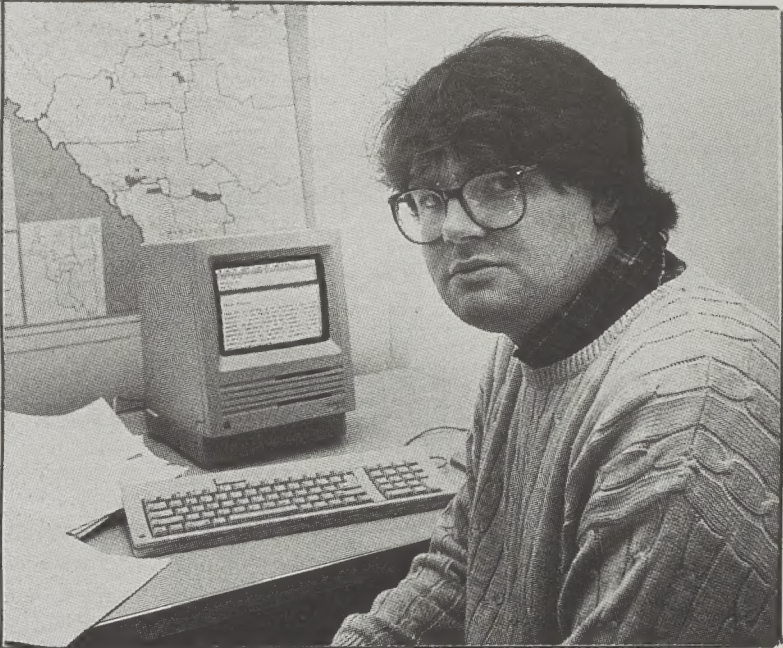
CAUS ploughs ahead despite lack of volunteers

by Monica Eggink
The U of A's CAUS co-ordinator is looking for students' help to educate the public about university funding cuts.
The Council of Alberta University Students (CAUS) is an organization composed of the undergraduate Students' Unions and the Graduate Students' Associations of the three residential universities. CAUS began an information campaign last summer, aiming to garner public support for the adequate funding of Alberta's post-secondary institutions.
U of A's involvement in the campaign is funded by and is under the jurisdiction of U of A's Students' Union.
Campaign volunteers have been making presentations to various off-

campus groups in Edmonton and northern Alberta. These groups include constituency associations, community leagues, chambers of commerce, high schools, and service organizations.
"Generally response has been supportive," said Tim Wild, CAUS co-ordinator at U of A. "At least more of the public is aware of existing problems."
The increase to U of A's operating grant for 1991-92 will not keep pace with inflation, and capital grants to all post-secondary institutions has decreased by 63.5 per cent since the 1985-86 budget. Audiences at the presentations are encouraged to write letters to voice their concerns to politicians over the reduction in the quality of education that these cuts produce.

"We need quality, affordable, and accessible education," added Wild. According to Wild, since education affects the economy of the province, short-term solutions could hamper the long-term growth of the province. University administrations are left stuck in a difficult position once funding is reduced, he said. Wild recognizes this problem, but would like to see U of A's administration deal with it differently.
"When the administration cuts whole departments, is there a plan involved? Do they have rational explanations for their decisions? We need to know what the exact financial requirements of the University are. With tangible evidence of what the University needs, we can better show the public that these needs aren't being met."
While the SU believes it has managed to show the Provincial Government that it has students' support with the March 1st protest march, CAUS wants to show the government it has public support. This cannot be done without student

help. Wild has been disappointed by lack of student involvement in the CAUS Campaign — anyone in-
terested in volunteering is welcome to contact Wild through the Students' Union.



Ron Sears
Tim Wild, CAUS coordinator, is looking for volunteers for the campaign.

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Report from the Legislature Gogo considers degrees for colleges

by Gil McGowan
Students turned away from Alberta's universities may be able to get degrees from colleges if a government review supports such action, said Advanced Education Minister John Gogo last week.
Gogo was encouraged to expand the role of colleges by backbencher Brian Evans, Conservative MLA for Banff-Cochrane.
According to Evans, increasing entrance requirements at Alberta's universities have made it more difficult for young Albertans to get an education.
"The waiting lists at our universities are getting longer and longer," he said, adding that the Ministers should "take the bold step of... granting degree-granting status to other institutions."
In response to this demand, Gogo promised to review "the whole question of degree granting prior to the end of 1991."
In the meantime, he feels confi-

dent that the needs of Alberta students are being adequately addressed.
"It should be pointed out that we have some very great success stories now," he said.
Despite Evans' assurance that accessibility could be improved by the revision of degree-granting guidelines, New Democrat Advanced Education Critic Pam Barrett believes that "there are better alternatives."
According to Barrett, the prob-

lem of accessibility could be solved if the government set aside enough money to allow universities to offer full course loads all year round.
"It would be a very efficient way to deal with the problem because our universities already have the facilities and staff. It would be a more efficient use of resources," she said.
Currently, four universities and three private colleges have the right to grant degrees in Alberta

Minister admits min. wage equals poverty

by Gil McGowan
The Minister of Labour admitted in the Legislature Monday that many workers earning Alberta's minimum wage live well below the poverty line.
Responding to a question posed

by New Democrat Social Services Critic Christie Mjolsness, Elaine McCoy admitted that a worker living in one of Alberta's major urban areas would have to earn

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transit centre will result in an increase in the number of students who ride the bus to university.
"If we make transit service convenient for students, they will use it, which will mean less pollution from cars and a healthier environment," Wilson said.
"The most important thing is that the bus loop, with its connection to the LRT station, will be returning to 89 avenue. We fought very hard for that," she said.
To complement the 89 avenue bus loop, and to improve service to the Engineering precinct of the University, Edmonton Transit will be rerouting some Groat Road buses along 116 street. It has not yet been determined which of the Groat Road routes, 19 or 37, will be affected by this change.
The total cost of the project, will amount to about \$1,033,000, to be borne exclusively by the City of Edmonton. The changes to the drop-off zones and landscaping, for which no estimate is currently available, will be at the expense of the University.
City of Edmonton representatives were not available for comment.

Declining loans cause hardship

by Gil McGowan

Cuts to student loan programs are making it impossible for many students to feed themselves properly, said the Liberal Advanced Education critic in the Legislature Tuesday.

According to Yolande Gagnon, the money available to students applying for assistance from the Student Finance Board has declined by more than 20 per cent since 1983-84.

As a result, single students living away from home in 1990 receive only \$5 more each month than students who received assistance in 1983-84. The discrepancy becomes even more noticeable when inflation is taken into account. In 1990 dollars, single students received \$776 in 1983-84 — today they receive only \$615.

As a result of these cuts, many students have been forced to rely on the charity of friends. Others have become regular clients at food banks, said Gagnon.

"It has come to my attention that university and college students in Alberta are being forced to study on empty stomachs. Food banks in Calgary, Edmonton, Fort McMurray, Medicine Hat, Lethbridge and Red Deer all report that they regularly have students as clients."

Gagnon's concerns were echoed by Marjorie Bencz, director of the

Edmonton Food Bank. While the number of students using the Food Bank is still relatively small, Bencz has noticed a "trend towards more student clients."

According to Bencz, the number of students receiving assistance from the Food Bank has been increasing steadily over the past three years. In 1989, for example, about 1.2 per cent of the Food Banks clients were students. This figure climbed to 1.8 per cent in 1990 and has reached about 2.5 per cent this year.

Bencz is worried that the number of students going to the Food Bank will continue to increase because "it is often assumed that university students come from more affluent families. But, very often that isn't the case," she said.

Here at the U of A, Students' Union vp internal Marc Dumouchel acknowledged that the problem of student hunger is very real.

"There have always been students using the food bank. But, I think the number is increasing, especially in specific groups like single mothers."

With this in mind, the U of A SU is considering the establishment of an on-campus food bank. Such a service is already in place at Mount Royal College in Calgary and similar services may soon be developed at the U of C, Red Deer College and Keyano College in Fort McMurray.



Darrin Nielsen

The bus loop which is currently in the parking lot of the Jubilee auditorium, will be back on 89 avenue as soon as LRT construction is done.

In response to Gagnon's concerns about student hunger, Advanced Education Minister John Gogo said he is satisfied that Alberta's system of student loans is adequate.

"I'm puzzled if the honourable member is saying that the government now has the responsibility of feeding the adults who attend the post-secondary system," he said.

Gagnon, however, denied that she supports a "free ride" for students. Instead, she said she wants the loan ceilings revised upward so that all students have enough money to feed themselves.

"I'm not saying that the government should feed people... what I am saying is that the loan program has not kept pace with inflation."

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SU revamps its operations

by Lee Craig

Restructuring is still the latest fad at the Students' Union, as the executive and other concerned parties begin to discuss proposed changes to the system.

Members of the SU perceive a general weakness in the use of volunteers, as well as an inefficiency in the structure of the paid SU positions.

Marc Dumouchel, vp internal, hopes to revamp the political and administrative positions so a greater effectiveness is achieved. He sees two areas which need to be changed — the paid student staff structure and how the political committees are organized, for example in the mandates of certain portfolios.

Ian McCormack, a SU Arts'

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about \$10.50 an hour in order to reach the poverty line.

"Working with the poverty line established by the National Council on Welfare, for a single parent with two children living in Edmonton or Calgary, it would take the equivalent of something like \$10.50 an hour to reach the poverty line," she said.

Having heard this assessment, Mjolsness said the government should take immediate action to increase the minimum wage. According to Mjolsness, Alberta's current minimum wage is the lowest in western Canada — a fact that has forced about 43,000 families to live below the poverty line.

In response to Mjolsness' demand, McCoy promised that she would review the existing minimum wage legislation.

Alberta's minimum wage was last increased in 1988 after an eight-year-long review process.

councillor, believes that this restructuring must determine what students want, as opposed to what the SU wants. "The focus should be on the needs of students... after all, the SU exists for students."

McCormack added that a lack of communication between different levels, such as the executive and the commissioners, is a problem.

Five executive and four commissioner positions currently exist. The commissioners — housing and transport, clubs, external and academic — must report to the executive. These positions are appointed yearly by the SU nominating committee.

One area which Dumouchel says the SU will propose to change is the position of clubs commissioner.

"We want to expand the job definition and alter the reporting structure... I think that a Director of Student Groups will be a better description of the position," said Dumouchel.

Kelly Morrall, the present clubs commissioner, agrees with Dumouchel that her position should be changed into a directorate.

"The job which is defined in the bylaws is outdated. The title of director would reflect the workload... it's basically a name change," said Morrall.

Morrall also thinks that more focus on alcohol awareness and greater administrative involvement is needed. However, she pointed out that for this to be a success, a "systems change" must occur. The reporting practice of the clubs commissioner is one example Morrall pointed to.

"Now I report to the vp internal, but with the change in the job the director would report to no one. For this to work, the office should be relocated (the current office is

located by the SU executive offices), one so the old reporting practice is not followed, and for the director to be closer to the clubs."

Another area of concern for the SU is that of the academic commissioner.

"We (the executive) have analyzed the workload and think it could be better accommodated by being integrated with existing services," said Dumouchel, noting that this will save time and money.

The executive will be bringing these proposals to the SU meeting next Tuesday. They also propose to maintain the transport and housing portfolio remains as is, but intend to have a review over the coming year.

In the external portfolio, Dumouchel sees a need for a redefining of this position. For example, some responsibilities of the external commissioner could be dealt with by other services while their role could be expanded in other directions.

In addition, the executive is deciding whether to create a new permanent position of a Community Affairs Coordinator.

"This would allow for consistency and for a person who knows a lot about dealing with the public," said Dumouchel.

Other areas the executive and counsellors will be looking into include: the accountability of commissioners (should they have the voice in counsel they now do?), bringing the roles of paid staff into line with the SU's objectives, and a database of volunteers for better organization.

These concerns will be pursued into the summer when the new SU executive (who take office in May) hopes to have some more recommendations.

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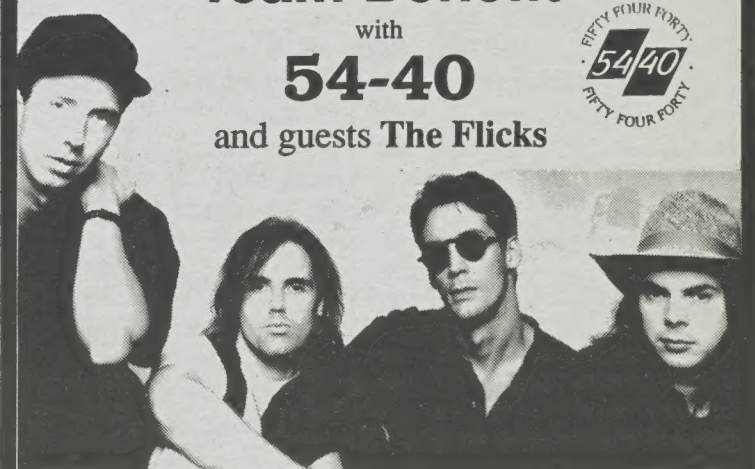
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School spirit. Sure.

by Winston Pei

So the football Bears live on, eh? The Golden Bear Football Alumni must be applauded for their efforts. But what of the rest of the campus? While I have great admiration for the successful rescue of our football team, it is symbolic of this campus' internal disunity, of which we are all guilty and for which we all suffer.

Stories about the University of Alberta's financial difficulties are not new. There have been repeated appeals to alumni to help out their alma mater. The response has been relatively poor. But the football team is cut and 60 days later, there is at least \$150,000 of new alumni-raised funds.

The trend continues in our current crop of students. There are poll clerk accounts of athletes arriving in groups to vote, and only marking off 'yes' for the athletics referendum. Is that their only concern? What about issues that affect more than just athletics?

This type of faculty 'isolationism' is not unique to athletics. It is merely a symptom of a campus-wide problem. After all, even the layout of the campus does not lend itself to interaction between disciplines, science to one side, arts to the other, engineering and fine arts farthest apart.

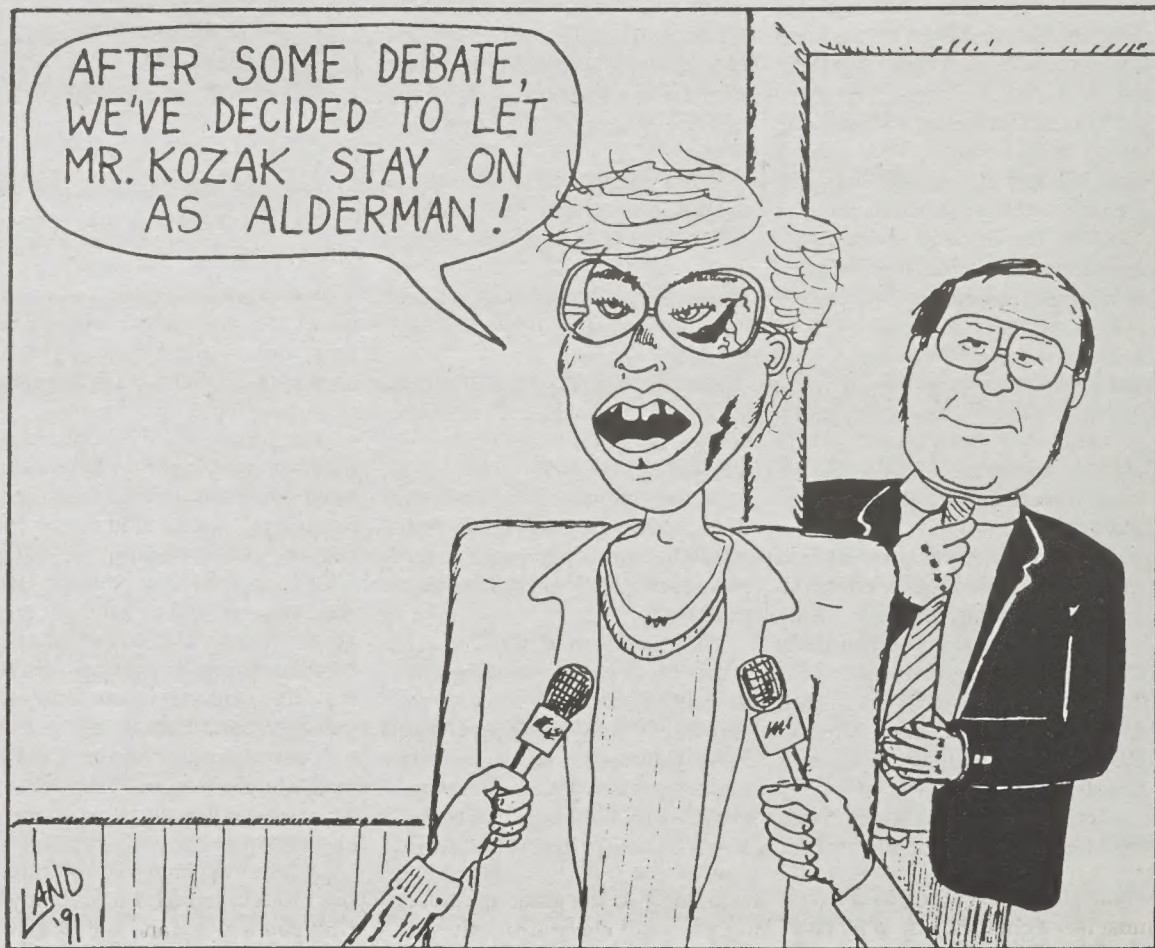
So what can be done?

Despite my questioning of motives, saving the Bears is a big step. This campus needs as many things as possible that are of University-wide appeal. It is fundamental to establishing closer ties to our alma mater. Obviously it worked for the football Bears.

More importantly, the University must show more (or perhaps more appropriately, some) concern for its students. The only help students arriving on campus get is from other students. Groupings like floors in residence, clubs, fraternities, and student-run services like Student Help and Students' Orientation Services are expanding to fill a real need; meanwhile, the University cuts Students' Counselling Services. Is it any wonder that student, and consequently alumni, loyalty to the University is not all that strong?

I would certainly not ask for \$100 from someone I've treated like dirt, or at best ignored, for the past four years and expect anything more than being laughed at.

But despite everything and because of everything, the responsibility ultimately falls on ourselves. In as alienating an institution as this, there is a very real need to 'shrink' the campus to a manageable size. However, cutting off and ignoring parts of campus is not the way to do it. In the long run, it only hurts the institution to which we all belong.



Letters

Apology from homophobe...

Last Tuesday, after I read Nola's article, I was very very steamed...and honestly the first thing that popped into my mind was hatred. I didn't appreciate skimming through *THE GATEWAY* to find gay poems, and stats (whether they are true or not—I find hard to believe) on homophobians.

I have been brought up in a family where being honest and open is the only way to be; voice your opinion. Well, you voiced yours, and I voiced mine. Freedom of speech, right?

I still stand by my letter, however, with only one regret. I regret saying, "that I hate homosexuality, the thought of it, and everyone involved with it." I believe the reason why I can say that I hate all gays is because I do not personally know anyone who is gay.

Nola, once more you have challenged me to examine why I hate lesbians and gays, and I think I can

now answer it. I am just ignorant of the homosexual population.

I do not, however, agree with promoting homosexuality. I disagree with the posters around campus...2 819 people on campus are gay...78 people in phys. ed. are gay. If you are trying to promote awareness, you are, but if you are trying to gain acceptance, I think you are going about it the wrong way.

I guess that whatever two people wish to do, whether it be two men, two women, or a man and a woman—let them...just don't let me hear about it, especially if it's two men, or two women.

Nola, let me openly apologize for asking such a personal question as "have you ever made love to a man." I have no business in knowing that. Let me also openly apologize to all the people who I offended by writing the letter that I did. But may I also say that I've had a lot more people congratulate me for being

gutsy enough for speaking out, than I've had people upset at me.

I've learned that there is a difference between not accepting homosexuality and hating all gays and lesbians. I cannot say that I hate you Nola, because I have never met you—but I still don't accept your lifestyle. I'm sorry.

I thought about replying to the other various articles in Tuesday's *Gateway* which were addressed to me, but I won't because they were probably as mad as I was when I wrote mine—and may not have actually meant everything they said...especially Grant Hoe with his remark about the dildo. Maybe I deserved that, but I'll just let you know that I have a boyfriend, and that's all that needs to be said. You don't need to read about my sex life, just as I don't need, or want to read about yours.

Karen Pope
P.E.S.S. IV

But the controversy continues...

Hatred basis for Pope's opinion

Karen Pope does not feel comfortable around gays and lesbians and therefore hates them just be-

cause what they do is not natural. Meanwhile, billions of dollars are spent on medical research as we ultimately strive to make ourselves live forever by curing disease and replacing worn-out body parts. Babies can be given ape hearts.

Amputees can still have workable limbs. Women can have sex regularly without ever giving birth. They can even give birth without ever having sex. By her own logic Pope

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Toss wife-beater out on his ass



**Caroline
Penhale**

When Alderman Ken Kozak admitted that he was guilty of beating his wife, Elizabeth Kozak, he should have resigned from City Council.

Public officials need to learn that we expect them to obey the law. This might be hopelessly naive, as it seems to be becoming acceptable

that they do not do so. First, Edmonton found itself with an alderman who avoided paying her taxes. Now, we have an alderman who seems to believe that he has the right to remain on council, although he has admitted to striking his wife.

What Mr. Kozak does not seem to understand is that simply admitting his guilt is not good enough. He cannot behave like a little boy admitting to his father that he smashed a window, and like that boy, expect little punishment. Mr. Kozak must accept responsibility for his actions, which thus far, he has been unwilling to do.

The fact that Mr. Kozak has chosen to blame his estranged wife for his violent behavior is repre-

hensible. Not only does it underline a lack of remorse on his part, it perpetuates society's tendency to blame victims of violence. It reasserts the notion that victims of violence somehow deserve to be abused. This is disgraceful.

In this respect, Mr. Kozak's presence on Council can only detract from the effectiveness of the Mayor's task force on Safer Cities, which addresses among other things, the problem of family violence. Until Mr. Kozak obtains the counselling ordered and faces up to what he has done, he cannot be effective in supporting the aims of this task force, unless he provides some new insight into what motivates wife-beaters and other such horrid criminals.

I have heard some people say that family violence is a private matter and that it does not affect society. Tell that to those who regularly see the destruction caused by family violence—the people running women and youth shelters in Edmonton. These shelters also require funding in order to operate. Will a wife-beater on council be particularly sympathetic to the funding problems of shelters? If Mr. Kozak were truly concerned with family violence and its victims, he probably wouldn't beat his own wife.

In addition, several of the injuries incurred during domestic disputes require hospital care. This puts an extra strain on an already diminishing health care budget. Doesn't

this affect society? Family violence of any form is not just a private matter; it is assault and that affects us all.

Despite the appeal of fellow Council members and the advice of Mayor Reimer, Mr. Kozak is determined to cling to his Council seat. Perhaps if the initiative put forward by alderman Sheila McKay, forcing any Council member convicted of a crime to resign succeeds, Edmontonians will not have to witness another spectacle such as this one.

In the meantime, Mr. Kozak owes it to the people of Edmonton to leave the arena of city politics. By holding on to his position, he is not serving Edmontonians. He is serving himself.

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must find Medical Science to be absolutely revolting. And what about so much of that food we eat? How natural is that?

Homosexuality is either due to biology or socialization. How unnatural is either of these causes? Is not everything we do the result of biology or socialization?

Pope also says that if a lesbian were to make love with a man it would, of course, feel right. Well, since lesbians make love with women instead of men this is what must feel right for them. Why else would they do it this way? Because it bothers them?

Pope needs to make the distinction between what is natural and what is normal. Homosexuality may not be "the norm" but it does not make sense to therefore conclude that it is not natural. Even if this conclusion could be made, hatred against unnaturalness is rather absurd. Many things in our society are unnatural but are deemed perfectly acceptable.

It seems that difference is really the only basis for Pope's hate. She denies that she is racist yet at the same time she expresses a racist-type mentality through her homophobia.

Adrienne Thurston
Arts IV

Definition of "natural" questioned

I have made love to men. I have also made love to women. They are both wonderfully human and beautifully sexual.

Karen, I have made love to women in a desperate attempt to escape and purge my undying attraction to those of my gender, an attraction, a magnetism, that I have "suffered" from all of my life. I never chose your hate, nor did I choose my sexual orientation.

I no longer "suffer," from my lack of choice, but rejoice; I now express myself and my attraction with a lover, a spiritual companion, who, of course, is only incidentally mind you, and male. Does it really matter? I am still here Karen, and I have followed many who have come before me, and I also know that many will come after me; we are still here, Karen.

People who hated us, or hated

our "sins," have in the past, like witches, burned us at the stake of Inquisition. Human beings rifled through case histories through people's very lives in search for that special difference that people, like myself, have felt to the core of their being since they were eight years old. Once discovered, they placed fire in their faces, in their hair, in their genitals and watched them melt.

Am I, are we, to presume that Karen is natural? I am glad that she is able to fiercely defend her definition of the "natural," even if unfortunately to the great applause, whoops, and cheers from the jingoes, and remain unafraid, but will she, and they, be glad of my defense for my definition, and will my fear be abated? Apparently not. Once one member or group of society is oppressed, consider that everyone is oppressed - after all, might not someone start spreading rumours about you?

Such rumours are responsible for unnecessarily heightened and exaggerated displays of masculinity and femininity: as a result, gender roles, and gender-specific behavior become exclusive and regimentalized. Sexism becomes "natural." Step out of these parameters and risk such labels as "fairy," or "fag," or a pink triangle, or a yellow star.

"Normal" and "natural" people must begin to understand that the legislation to distinguish between one harmless "normal" and "natural" behavior over another is not always conducive to human survival. At the very least, "normal" and "natural" behavior prevents you from consoling your best friend in a time of need, in a time of desperation, or anytime, with a touch. After all, a grieving friend might

call you a "fag." Where is the line drawn for harmless "natural" or "normal behaviour" and who draws the line, and why does there have to be a line at all?

Hollywood and God, that's why. Karen, I cannot begin to find answers for why it is that you act the way you do - though empirical research proves Nola Etkin quite correct concerning the roots of homophobia (have you ever read anything objective on this issue??) - just as I cannot explain my same-sex affections.

You hate me, I know. I don't hate you, though. In fact, I'd probably think you a feisty and outspoken woman who was exorcizing a fundamental right of expression.

Remember Karen, in our country, we have something called hate literature legislation, and you just blew it.

S. Gibson, B.F.A., B.Ed.

A call for homophobic letters

I am upset with *The Gateway* for printing a vast amount of letters in support of Nola Etkin's views in the March 19th *Gateway*, but none supporting Karen Pope's view. I understand that it is your policy not to print homophobic material, but in this case I believe some should be printed.

From the letters and articles printed it would appear that the majority of people share Ms. Etkin's feelings. I don't feel this is representative of the university population—I would not be exaggerating if I said that 50% of the people I know at the university are

"homophobic" in the same manner as Karen Pope, including myself.

Did so-called homophobes not write to *The Gateway*, along with GALOC supporters? No? I find it hard to believe. I can see why most "homophobic" material is printed, but a Letters section in any newspaper should be a forum for both

sides of an issue.

Kurt Budesheim
Business I

Editor's note: The Gateway received no homophobic letters in support of Karen Pope, except for one which was unsigned.

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Letters continued

Homosexual debate continues

HAVOC noxious and insensitive

Once again, Gay and Lesbian awareness week has been marred by the activities of a rather clandestine group known as HAVOC, which apparently stands for Heterosexuals and Virgins on Campus. It seems that they have taken to putting up posters and graffiti crudely expressing their opposition to homosexuality. In cowardly fashion, they give no indication as to who exactly their members are or how the group can be contacted in order to respond to their propaganda. There are no notices in *The Gateway*, no information tables in HUB mall. It is hit-and-run hate-mongering.

As a heterosexual and a virgin, I would like to disassociate myself completely from these noxious pamphleteers. They do not speak for me, or, I hope, for the majority or heterosexuals and virgins on campus. Nobody I know was consulted by this group, which claims to represent a sizeable majority on campus, as to their views on homosexuality. Personally, I fail to see how harrasing minority groups improves the lot of either heterosexuals or virgins.

I'm not objecting to their right to free speech, but if they must advertise their sexual insecurities, I'd appreciate it if they changed their name, to reflect their membership, more accurately. How about Bigoted and Rednecked Fools, Unsecure Preferences (BARFUP)?

Bryan Hollands
Atrs IV

Jeans: the stuff of reflection

Blue Jean Day presents me with a unique opportunity and obligation. I am to declare, unequivocally, my opinion and position concerning "Gay Rights".

This is an unusual and somewhat overwhelming personal responsibility. I could, of course, merely wear my sweat pants and remain comfortably in the majority. Faceless and comfortable in a mass of sweats, shorts, suits, skirts, and

dressess, I would be protected. Protected, that is, both from the indictment of my acquaintances and from the necessity to make a choice.

If I change nothing about my dress on Blue Jean Day, then I am automatically in support of GALOC's ultimatum—a rather lever if transparent ploy. If I take any action at all, then I am in opposition. But, I am unsure of even what I am being asked to support or oppose. "Gay Rights" and "Gay Equality" both seem rather nebulous and broad. Is this the 'right' to 'be gay'? If so, then the int is not worth debating. Members of GALOC are already being gay without my or anyone else's permission. I have no desire to monitor humanity in some Orwellian guise. If 'being gay' doesn't harm me or others, then carting GALOC off to prison isn't going to solve anything. No matter how repulsive or distasteful I may find homosexual life, it is not my business, as long as it does not affect me.

I cannot, for personal and religious reasons, agree that homosexual acts are healthy or proper. I believe that they are ultimately self-destructive, that they lead to grief, sorrow, pain, disease, and long-term emotional trauma. I am convinced that many often misuse hetero- or homosexuality as a misguided and fruitless placebo against the rigors of life.

There are, however, rights I would not deny homosexuals. Regardless of sexual behavior, to withhold education, employment, or any of life's basic necessities from anyone is immoral. Do gays and lesbians have the right to respect? Common courtesy and human decency? Absolutely. They have the right not to be humiliated, degraded, or abused verbally, emo-

tionally, or physically. I have the obligation to treat them as my brothers and sisters. Conversely, I have a right to their consideration, respect, and discretion.

I am more and more inclined to believe that we must merely 'agree to disagree' and work at serving and helping each other rather than condemning and pointing fingers of accusation or ridicule.

Gregory Smith
Science I

King's College unfairly attacked

It appears to me that the King's College is being unfairly attacked. Mr. Delwin Vriend was fully aware of the Christian stand at the College. He either lied to get in or should have resigned (something aldermen also have trouble doing) when he could no longer support the College.

If I applied to teach in the University Faculty of Science but insisted that my personal orientation was towards a literalistic creationist position I would quickly be dismissed. The University takes a Darwinian position this doctrinal position is unstated but very clear.

If a teacher at King's were to become a Moslem or to publicly favour prostitution he/she would be dismissed. Sexual orientation is not the issue. The issue is that Mr. Vriend was in direct opposition to the purpose of the College and was dismissed.

Gordon Stewardson
Education III



Paul
Notley

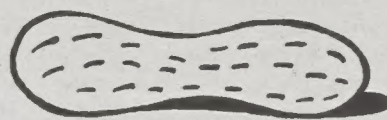
The Diary

One of my favourite movies of all time is Costa-Gavras' *The Confession* (1971), about the 1952 anti-semitic party purges in Czechoslovakia. Movie critic Steven H. Scheuer has described it as "one of the most powerful and intellectually compelling anti-Communist movies ever made." Which brings us to the interesting question of why a left-wing director should make one of the best anti-communist movies. It's not that Hollywood is so infiltrated with liberals that it couldn't make *Rambo II*, and *Red Dawn*, and *AMERIKA*. Nor, come to think of it, have conservatives produced many of the anti-communist classics. There's the obvious exception of Solzhenitsyn, and Robert Conquest's works have an undoubted fame. But most of the great anti-communists have either originally been Marxists or have come from the left: George Orwell, Ignazio Silone, and Andrei Sakharov being the most obvious. Nor have conservatives really shown themselves good at the art of *Dystopia*. The classic ones, Jack London's *The Iron Heel*, H.G. Wells' *When the Sleeper Awakes*, Aldous Huxley's *Brave New World*, Yevgeny Zamyatin's *We*, Orwell's *1984*, none really can be claimed by the right.

One thing the right has done is to add a strong dose of murderous hypocrisy. On behalf of anticommunism we have been informed of a number of things. We were told that the Arbenz government of Guatemala was a

Communist front and that his overthrowers in 1954 were saviours of democracy in that nation. We were told, by George Bush no less, that Ferdinand Marcos was a strong adherent of democratic traditions. We were told that the Vietnamese used chemical warfare in Cambodia, and that the Bulgarian secret service had attempted to kill the pope. We were told (by Reagan's first national security advisor) that our loyal ally Portugal did not commit atrocities in Mozambique. We were told that the Shah of Iran was a progressive leader turning Iran into a democracy. We were told that Chiang Kai-Shek was the leader of China and would never murder 20,000 Taiwanese in consolidating power there, that Sygham Rhee would never have killed 50,000 people in consolidating power in South Korea. We were told that the Canadian ambassador to Egypt, Herbert Norman, who was driven to suicide by the constant accusations, was a Soviet spy. We were told that the Soviet Union knowingly shot down a civilian airplane, an action that no democratic country would do. We were told that it was impossible for such actions like Mai Lai, Project Phoenix, or the secret bombings of Cambodia to take place. And these were all lies, and people died because of these lies. Orwell once wrote that Swift was driven into a perverse Toryism because of the follies of the progressives at the moment. More than a few people have been driven into a fool's socialism by the crimes of the right.

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Letters continued

In defence of *Woman Wright*

Of all the ignorant, malicious, and downright stupid statements that I've seen in the letters section of this year's *Gateway*, I was never more amazed or saddened than after reading "Feminists have 'no real guy friends'" submitted by Diane Sasvari and Mary-Lisa Jackson.

Who do you "ladies" think you are? How dare you assume that because you have no political or social consciousness you are "obviously happier" than the editors of *Woman Wright*? And how dare you make assumptions about their personal lives? Do you personally know any of the editors personally?

Your snide, arrogant (and not very intelligent) letter exposes your lives to be much less fulfilling than the editors in question. You two must be truly unhappy if you can see nothing positive in a supplement meant to expand your voice, and the voices of all women on campus—perhaps you are too busy with all your guy friends to even bother contemplating the liberating power of such a publication.

If it were not for women like Teresa Pires, Laurie Davidson, and Jennifer Cypher you would not even possess the freedom of speech that you so carelessly abused in

your letter. You use this freedom to accuse the authors of having the audacity to speak for you two. If you had bothered to read the first page of the supplement you would have noticed that they clearly state, "This is by no means a complete representation of women's thoughts and experiences" and that they "Make no claims to having all the solutions."

Your lack of perception in reading is also evident when you accuse the editors of "male bashing." In the supplement, only one of the articles refers directly to male violence. Your quote, taken from a creative writing piece by the women of Concordia University (not written by our unhappy editors in a futile attempt to hide their insecurities) does not male bash, but rather points to a very common perception of females.

I find it extremely interesting that two such avid guardians of women's rights did not attack Dragos Ruii's column "Sexism? Where? Here at the U of A" (*Gateway*, March 12), which explores the "Frigid/Nymphomaniacal" category in much greater detail, and not within a creative writing piece.

Finally, what shocks me most

about your unfortunate letter is your complete blindness to oppression. Not all men are violent brutes, but a woman is raped every 17 minutes in Canada, and it's not the tooth fairy going around doing this. Women's shelters are bursting at the seams with battered wives and abused children, as the government cuts their funding once again. Ninety-seven percent of all child abusers are male. Women are working full-time and earn only about 60 percent as much as men earn, a figure that has stayed the same in the last 20 years. The list of oppression goes on and on....

You two are simply indulging in "feminist bashing" (very much akin to the "men bashing"), just because it seems to be the fashionable thing to do. Probably even earned you two a few more "guy friends". One day you will go beyond your ignorance and arrogance and wake up to reality. And that will be the day that you thank women like the editors of *Woman Wright* for having the courage to speak out against all the injustice that unfortunately exists in society.

By the way I'd be very happy to be numbered among the editor's "guy friends."

Brad Spenser—Grad Studies II

Library decision questioned, again

When I read that the library had rejected 19 books, when their budget is tightening, I was outraged. I feel it is the duty of an institution of higher learning to be non-biased, and the rejection of these books for no apparent reason seems to be censorship.

Although I have not heard the reasons for the rejection of the books, I do not believe any reason could be sufficient. It could not have resulted from the books being biased, because many books are biased in their approach to their individual subjects. I think it will become clear that this is just a case of censorship.

Even if people are pro-choice, they must concede that if they cannot investigate the arguments of both sides independently, there is, no choice made available to them. Once we allow censorship to have free reign, we become no better than Nazi Germany. The Nazis started by banning books viewed subversive, later they burned them, and we all know what this led to.

Mark Leseth
Science II

I was impressed to see the investigative article "Pro-Life books rejected by campus library" in Tuesday's edition of *The Gateway*.

The article states that the library's primary concern is that donations be of an acceptable "research quality". Notice, however, that associate librarian J.S. Busch does not say the donated books are not of an acceptable research quality. After examining these books myself the reason became readily apparent—he cannot deny their scholarly value because there is no question that these books are written by well-respected historians, doctors, psychologists, and educators.

The library's financial arguments for not accepting the donation are equally weak. For example, chief librarian Ernie Ingles points out that "processing costs of a book run as high as two times the cost of the book, up to \$70-\$80 per book". I'm sure this is true, but this cost of processing a book is the same for a book that is purchased by the library.

Will our library staff will make the responsible choice to accept

these books or will it subtly restrict our academic freedom, thus setting a frightening precedent?

B.D. Hunt Business IV

Pro-life video gross

We understand the growing controversy regarding the abortion debate, and each individual should have the right to express their views and values to the public but why does it have to be in a public cafeteria? Pro-Life demonstrators set up a very vivid and clear production on the issue of abortion. We found the video shown extremely upsetting. People come to the cafeteria to eat lunch or enjoy the company of fellow classmates, not to have their stomachs upset and feelings distraught. The aspect of tact and thought obviously was not considered for others and that deeply offends us. Your right to show support for your beliefs was abused and has upset several individuals.

Tanya Hambling, Tanis Marshall
Education IV

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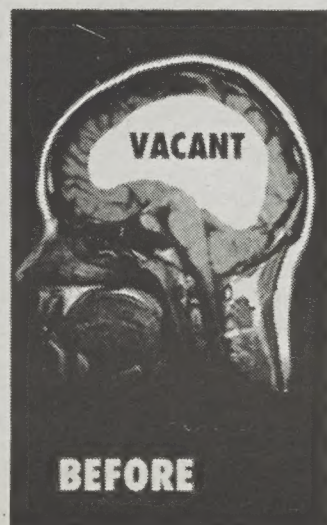
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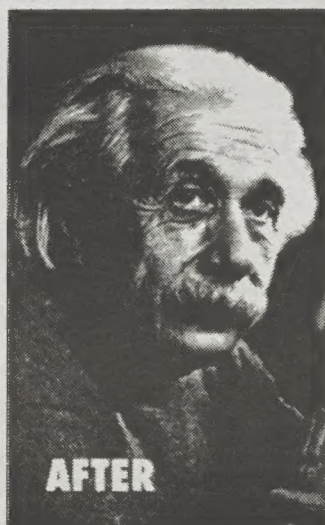
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by Lily D. Lupse

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Who'd have thought watching commercials can be so much fun? I mean, isn't that the time when we get up to fix a snack, go to the washroom, call a friend, study (yeah—right) until the show comes back on the tube? Well, lemme tell ya that I, Lily Lupse, have now become an avid commercial watcher. I, too, will now stand in line for hours, be it in rain or snow, just to sit and watch a show made up entirely of commercials.

Please understand, these are not just any old commercials, folks. No siree, they're the world's best, the pick of the crop, the top of the heap...

The show opens with a squirrel scurrying along, to the tune of *Mission Impossible* "leaping and climbing at a hectic pace. He doesn't stop to take a break. No, there's no time to waste. He's got a mission: He's gotta get to that beer, and in a hurry! This bud's for you, my friend, and obviously well-deserved.

If a little beer isn't enough to enlighten you, how 'bout a word from God (better known as George Burns). He enters a room of brilliant white and purposefully makes his way to the table in the middle. It appears that he, too, has a mission: He's gotta get to that water, and in a hurry! I guess puffing on those cigars all the time really dries up his mouth. "What's the cure?" you ask. Why, pure H₂O: "Water the way it was meant to be."

Now that we know how to quench a thirst, how do you quench an ant? Why, you stamp on it of course. How do you quench five ants? Stamp five times. How do you quench ten ants? Stamp ten times. Ah, but how do you quench one thousand ants? You could do a mighty long jig, or you could use "Fire Ant Extinguisher." You decide.

Have you ever vacuumed the food and

crumbs off of a messy

toddler? Have you ever vacuumed out the insides of a plucked chicken? No longer are these menial tasks performed by hands. No longer do we have to groan in disgust. No siree, use the "Bissell Cleaner" and the mess is gone more quickly than you can say prairie-plucked-poultry-produce-pretty-plentiful-pounds.

This one is precious: A beautiful man is driving a beautiful car, on a seemingly endless road, with a beautiful woman sleeping peacefully beside him. But, the man is not at peace. A frown appears on his brows and a look of aggravation appears on his face. "Where the hell is that squeaking coming from?" he thinks, looking about the car and trying to figure it out. Frustrated, he drives on, the woman still sleeping peacefully beside him. But, still the man is not at peace.

Finally, he stops the car, gets out and storms away. Minutes later, an old man appears holding an oil can, and enters the car. He pokes at this and pokes at that, but no squeak. Then, he bounces in his seat, the lady simultaneously bouncing in hers—still sleeping, though, and lets out a roar of laughter. The driver rushes to the car, just in time to see the old man leaning over the woman. "What the he—," but he stops midway in his thought. It appears that the thing requiring oil was not any part of the car, but the beautiful earring on the beautiful woman—who sleeping. It is with a smile that

the beautiful man gets in the beautiful car and drives away with the beautiful woman—still sleeping. "If only life was as effective as a Volkswagen."

For the most esthetically pleasing commercial, British Airlines most definitely wins. Beautiful cinematography and strong classical music dazzle us as we see different groups of people forming the shapes of different parts of a face coming across a landscape, from different directions, to finally meet. The camera pulls away, and from way up high we see that they have all united and assembled into one distinct face.

Just as suddenly as this next commercial appeared, it disappeared: A person is walking along and walks right into a pole. There is no mistaking the message to go and see Your optician.

You know that saying stating that the way to a man's heart is through his stomach: well, gents, it isn't so for the way to a woman's heart. This poor old gent, in this commercial, learned the hard way. Everyday he would travel long distances, grim determination on his face, and leave his sweetheart gifts at her door. The first day, he left a basket of braided bread; the second day, he left a basket of eggs; and the third, he left a live pig, but all to no avail. She would simply open her door, look at the gifts differently, then slam it shut again. Ah, but when the old gent next left a simple "Candies' card", she was ecstatic. If that come-hither look was anything to go by, I'd say that the old gent was one happy fellow that day.

Have you ever wondered what Noriega's, Margaret Thatcher's, and Romanian dictator Ceausescu's parents looked like? Well, in this British condom commercial you get to see for yourself. The message behind this ad: "If their parents would had only used a condom...." Direct and to the point. Amen.

The only thing I can say about the Philips Communications and Data Systems ad is that it was too cool for words. It was just like watching a mini-film. It was interesting, captivating and, yup, you got it, very cool.

The First Tennessee Bank ad is hilarious. It definitely gives hand-shaking a new angle. Worth seeing, for sure. Hmm, now if I can only remember what comes after the part where we body slam each other...

And, sadly, the 1990 Cannes Commercials come to an end. But, what a perfect ending it was with a Maxell Cassette ad stipulating that only Maxell cassettes give you good, clear sound. My God, was this ad funny: you have this full-body shot of a guy holding huge cue cards in his arms and singing (the words on the cue cards) to this really funky-sounding tune. But, as you read the words that he's singing, you realize that they don't make sense.

He finishes his song, and another guy is shown singing a different tune in the same manner. I laughed so hard, I thought I was going to pass out. I even found myself grinning like an absolute fool on the bus, all the way home.

Yup, I was hooked. And, like I said, for a nominal fee, you can get hooked. You'll laugh like you've never laughed before.

Lynch appeals to Peaks Freaks

by Cory Sinclair

Yes, its true. The rumours you've heard about the cancellation of *Twin Peaks* have been confirmed. As Hamlet might say, "Oh foul deed! Oh tragedy! But you do not have to sit quietly and mourn. You can help to save the series by putting off writing those term papers and writing a letter to ABC. It is a small price for committed Peaks Freaks to pay to help keep such an innovative show on the air.

For those of you who watch the show religiously, you will agree that nothing on TV compares with *Peaks*. The intriguing and sophisticated story lines, the bizarre characters, the mysterious twists, and the all-important soundtrack combine to make *Twin Peaks* the best show on the tube. Trying to guess Wyndam Earl's next move, and waiting for Audrey and Coop to get together helps stimulate the imagination of many university students—more than many courses and professors, unfortunately.

However, the future of the show looks very dark at the moment. But you can help lift the curtain of bureaucratic oppression by expressing your love for the show to ABC.



The call to help save *Twin Peaks* came from the man himself, David Lynch, who, together with Mark Frost, brought the show to the small screen. During a recent interview with David Letterman, Lynch called on fans to write to Robert Iger, the president of ABC, telling him not to cancel the series.

Bob Remington of the *Edmonton Journal* has informed me that Canadians are not used to determining network ratings, but

ABC advertising reaches Canada and our voice should carry some weight. Perhaps this effort could serve to unite the country and give us a sense of national identity. Don't laugh—there was a Mountie in a few episodes, crimson jacket and all. I think I'll phone the Spicer Commission. The six remaining episodes are scheduled to be aired in late March and April. ITV has confirmed the ABC starting date but is attempting to gain permission for an early release of March 27 on ITV. But don't greet the return of the show with too much euphoria, thinking it has been renewed. Bob Remington and ITV both told me that the six remaining shows will be aired and then that's all folks.

Maybe. David Lynch said that ABC will base its decision on renewing *Twin Peaks* for another season based on the viewer response to the cancellation. If ABC receives a large number of letters, there is a good chance *Peaks* can be saved. Letters should be sent to:

Robert Iger
ABC Television
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Happening thangs

On-going events

Theatre

The Passion of Narcisse Mondoux
by Gratien Gelinas
Rice Theatre at the Citadel
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Lloyd's Prayer

by Kevin Kling
Leave it to Jane Theatre
Phoenix Downtown
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Brilliant Traces

by Cindy Lou Johnson
Phoenix Theatre
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through March 31

One Thousand Cranes

by Colin Thomas
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through March 31

This family drama examines the aftermath of the bombing of Hiroshima in the Second World War and its impact on the children of Japan and the United States. Family drama.

Thursday, March 21

Music

Marriage of Figaro
by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
Edmonton Opera
Jubilee Auditorium
also Saturday, March 23 and Monday, March 25

Mozart's popular opera is full of clandestine affairs, naughty sexual liaisons and, of course, his highly characteristic music. It was so popular at its debut that the Emperor made a pronouncement limiting the number of acceptable encores for each performance.

The Persuaders

Power Plant
through Saturday
no cover Thursday
Rollicking rhythm and blues outfit The Persuaders return for another engagement at the Plant this weekend. Lead guitarist Dave Gogo has been likened to a young Stevie Ray Vaughn—and actually played with the Texas bluesmaster before his death.

Variety

Monte Carlo Night
a presentation of the Interfraternity Council
tickets \$10 (for charity)
doors at 8:30 pm.

Over \$5000 in prizes have been donated. All proceeds from the event are to be donated to Bears' Athletics and to the City of Edmonton Crimestoppers program.

Saturday, March 23

Music

54-40
Dinwoodie Lounge
Golden Bears and Fandas Team Benefit in Dinwoodie. Recording artists 54-40 promise an energizing show.

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Cuba's caveats

U.S. Hands Off the Mideast!
by Fidel Castro and Ricardo Alarcon

by Caroline Penhale

"All those concerned about the accelerating build-up of [the] U.S.-organized death machine have a stake in explaining the truth about Washington's real aims and in mobilizing the weightiest possible social forces to oppose the impending war."

These are the words of Mary-Alice Waters in the introduction to *U.S. Hands Off the Mideast*, a book written by Fidel Castro and Ricardo Alarcón, Cuba's permanent representative to the United Nations. Waters' comments reflect the tone of the book, which was published in November, before the Gulf Crisis escalated into war.

U.S. Hands Off the Mideast is a collection of transcripts of the United Nations Security Council resolutions and Cuba's reaction to them. It begins with a discussion of Resolution 660, adopted on August 2, 1990 and ends with a speech delivered by Fidel Castro on September 28, 1990.

As one might expect, this book is blatantly anti-American. Castro and Alarcón criticize American involvement in the Gulf, point by point, example by example, creating an image of the U.S.A. as the world's bully. As far as the authors are concerned, all American foreign policy is selective and is designed to carry out an American imperialist agenda.

For instance, Castro notes that for some forty years, the United States has supported Israel's occupation of Palestine. According to Castro, American veto power has made it impossible for the Security Council to condemn Israel for this action.

A criticism that the authors repeatedly make is that the sanctions imposed against Iraq are immoral because they deprive innocent citizens of food and medicine. Alarcón comments that it was the U.S.A. and the U.K. who opposed sanctions against South Africa's apartheid regime on the grounds that it would hurt the Black majority. In

southern Rhodesia, sanctions were imposed because of the government's racist policies. Alarcón states that the American government continued to import chromium from southern Rhodesia because, according to U.S. representative to the UN, it "could not be obtained cheaper anywhere else."

Unfortunately, while Castro and Alarcón continue to criticize American policy and the American influence on the UN Security Council, they seek to make Cuba sound like the ultimate peace-keeping nation. In the final chapter, entitled "We had the honour of being the only country to vote 'No'!", Cuba's holier-than-thou attitude is evident. The chapter is self-congratulatory. Each time Castro praises his country for opposing sanctions and working for peace, he undermines his criticism of the U.S.A. and of the UN Security Council. The authors further weaken their arguments by totally ignoring Saddam Hussein's role in the conflict and by focusing entirely on the sins of the United States. Therefore, it seems that *U.S. Hands Off the Mideast* is simply a soapbox for the authors' viewpoints concerning the U.S.A. rather than an intelligent discussion of the Gulf Crisis itself.

Something else that needs to be called into question is Castro and Alarcón's motivation for writing this book. It would be difficult to imagine a form of political criticism free of ideology. The book's introduction suggests the leaders of the Cuban revolution are champions of the working peoples of the world. Whether or not this is true, it must influence any criticism that the authors make.

So, to those of you who supported American (and Canadian, for that matter), involvement in the Gulf—trust me—you will hate this book. You will say that it is prejudiced against the United States and I would agree. But you might also find yourself rethinking the issue if you read this book. To those of you who were against American/Canadian action in this conflict—you will feel completely vindicated in your views.

Conservatives eschew sex

by Clay McLeod

Few people realize just how prevalent censorship is in our society and around the world. People hear the popular media talk about the First Amendment in the United States and, more recently, the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, (both of which guarantee the freedom of expression) and they assume that North America's lawmakers share the reverence for the freedom of expression that news reporters dogmatically adhere to. After all, Canada and the United States are free countries.... aren't they?

Perhaps they are relatively free, but North American culture is also marked by widespread sexual repression; moreover, the religion that enjoys state sanction on this continent boasts a jealous god.

Working from this basis, conservative censors have made free expression an issue of moral importance. Radical sexuality and things contrary to the interests of Christianity have been the predominant targets of scissor-wielding censors throughout the history of Western culture.

Conservative censors try to protect the institutions of society; they uphold community morality by suppressing the expression of things contrary to this morality. Ideas which challenge the values commonly held by the members of society are banned, because allowing their expression would endanger the delicate order that civilization is based upon.

What is "civilization" based on anyways? Marriage is one of the most important institutions of western society and earlier this century, because of their reverence for this institution, censors would cut scenes from movies which depicted divorce. As you can imagine, this often left large holes in the plot, but censors argued that if the breakdown of

marriages were to be presented in a favourable light in a popular medium such as motion pictures, the institution of marriage would be endangered. After all, society could crumble if Liz Taylor gets another divorce.

Another thing that Western civilization is founded upon is democracy. This meant that, during the era of political paranoia when communism was considered to be the root of all evil (at least as far as any god fearing Christian was concerned), censors were concerned with the political ideas being expressed. Expression which didn't espouse good "democratic" principles was banned.

Let us not forget about the god fearing Christians either. Given that Christianity is one of our most cherished institutions (just look at an American coin to see whom it is that "we" trust), conservative censors also try to protect society from blasphemous lies about the world and man's place in the firmament. After all, anarchy might result if too many people saw *The Last Temptation of Christ*.

All of these "essential" institutions aside, let's face it people, our biggest problem is SEX: sexual expression is the biggest concern of conservative censors. In Canada "obscenity" is illegal. What is "obscenity"? According to Canadian Law, "obscenity" means anything which involves undue sex. Not undue violence, not undue horror, not exploitation of women, not racism... undue sex. This is the result of the sexual inhibitions of our society. For something to fit into the Canadian idea of obscenity, it has to involve sex. Not only that, but the sex must be "undue." "Undue" refers to things which do not conform to the moral standards of the community. Any sex which is different or radical is obscene; it doesn't have to be harmful to anybody, only different. The obscenity law makes no apologies for

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Cuba speaks out at the United Nations

**FIDEL CASTRO
RICARDO ALARCON
ON THE
IRAQ/KUWAIT
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All in all, no matter what your personal position, *U.S. Hands Off The Mideast* is an interesting, albeit biased, presentation of events that led up to war in the Gulf.

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U of A Pro-Choice is an organization whose name defines its purpose. We are a student-run club that serves the student body, but our interests extend into the community, the nation, and beyond. The members of our organization share a common belief that every person deserves the right to reproductive freedom.

We are best defined by the name "Pro-Choice." This means that in cases of unplanned pregnancy, we hold that every woman should have the choice between continuing her pregnancy or terminating it. We are not pro-abortion. We do, however, realize that whether or

not there are criminal laws in place governing abortion, and whether or not there are medical facilities to provide abortions, women do choose to terminate their pregnancies. Where there is limited access to abortion, those who can afford the service find the money. In Alberta, 'finding the money' often means affording a trip to the States to avoid long waiting lists at hospitals. Where there is no access to abortion, women often take matters into their own hands.

Abortion is legal in Canada. Edmonton clinic. Albertan women will be able to make the choice. But the situation is not the same for all

Canadian women. No abortions are performed in Prince Edward Island. Women who want to choose abortion must leave their friends, families, and province. Rural women and women who live in the North must make similar journeys in order to obtain this essential medical service. Now that Bill C-43 has been defeated by the Senate, we demand that all Canadian women have reasonable access to abortion.

We also demand that all Canadian women and men have access to contraceptives. The number of abortions performed in Canada can only be reduced by increased education about birth control and inex-

pensive access to reliable birth-control devices.

For women who choose to carry their pregnancy to term, there should be every societal support made available. But such systems of support should not be removed the moment the child is born. Families, single-parent and nuclear, deserve both emotional and financial support in Canada and in the rest of the world.

U of A Pro-Choice is not "anti-life." We value the life of all women and we respect whatever choices they make governing their own bodies. Each woman has her own

morals and system of belief. Each woman needs to decide according to her own values, whether or not to have children. We believe that every mother should be a willing mother and that every child should be a wanted child.

U of A Pro-Choice meets every Monday at 2pm in SUB. All are welcome to attend our meetings and join our organization. In addition to regular meetings, we also have occasional coffee-houses where we watch films, listen to speakers, and discuss issues concerning Choice. Also, look for our tables in HUB and CAB.

Alberta needs a clinic

by Dhooleka Sarhadi

"Your appointment is for June 15th" the voice over the phone said. "But that's almost a month and a half away - I might be past my 13th week, then you won't even let me have an abortion". The woman was confused at the response. Why did it have to take so long? She had already decided to terminate the pregnancy. "Where can I go? This is all a mistake - I never wanted to be pregnant. We used contraceptives...." her voice trailed off on that thought. The cold phone voice cut into her thoughts "Perhaps your needs will be better served elsewhere".

Fact: In Edmonton there is a waiting period of five weeks to obtain therapeutic abortion at the Royal Alexander Reproductive Health clinic (as calculated by hospital spokesperson Anne Marie Downey). In Calgary the waiting list stands at 3-4 weeks (as reported in the Calgary Herald in the 23 Oct 1990 issue).

Fact: "Many Canadian Women were travelling to the clinics in Quebec and Ontario or to the United States for Abortions". ("Facts on Abortion". Childbirth by Choice Trust. 1989).

Fact: "...if she lives in rural Canada or in the North or at any distance from a hospital with an abortion committee or on P.E.I. and if she is in no position to fly herself down to the metropolitan centres or to Detroit or Seattle, she will have no alternative but to bear the child" (Kostachis, Myrna. No Kid-ding: Alongside the World of Teen-age Girls. 1989. p. 252).

Fact: Stats Canada issued that a minimum of 2,612 Canadian women had abortions performed in the United States. (Statistics Canada, "Therapeutic Abortion". 1986 Catalogue).

Fact: Dr. James Armstrong of Kalispell, Montana stated that ten of the seventeen abortions he performed in September 1990 were on Canadian women. ("Alberta Women go South for Abortion". Calgary Herald. 23 Oct 1990).

Clearly, the existing medical system is not meeting the needs of the many women who are being forced to leave their community or wait weeks for an hospital abortion. The only solution to this problem is improved access. Having an abortion clinic in Edmonton is not a random choice made by Dr. Henry Morgantaler. NO, the proposed Edmonton abortion clinic is not an arbitrary phenomena it is a critically needed facility. The decision to open such facility in Edmonton by Dr. H. Morgantaler is supported by U of A pro-choice for a number of reasons:

1) As the statistics above indicate there seems to be very few options open for those women who seek this medical service. The demand is not being addressed by the current medical system.

2) There are no delays involved in clinic access. The long delays that are now encountered in the Hospital system increases both the cost of abortion and the likelihood of medical complications.

3) Hospitals conventionally use general anesthetics. Clinics, on the other hand, use a local anesthetic

which is cheaper, and less risky, and which permits the women to leave the clinic within a few hours.

4) Counselling and support are immediate concerns of the clinic staff. They provide abortion counselling and on the follow-up visit birth control counselling. Care is taken to provide quality personal support before, during and after the procedure to encourage medical and emotional well being of the woman.

5) Clinic staff have chosen to work in the clinic setting and are empathetic, supportive, committed, and knowledgeable.

Because the existent system does not adequately meet the needs and demands of the women of this province a clinic is the only place where women will have the access and care that they require. The necessity of a clinic is an unfortunate reality in Alberta. "Abortion is an imperfect answer in an imperfect world...[We at U of A Pro Choice] have known too many women brutalized too many times to accept any law [or action] that would limit their choice" (Tracey, Lindalee. "Rethinking Abortion". Toronto Life. February 1991. Vol.25. No.2).

The clinic should not be prevented to operate because of a handful of conservative moralists who feel it necessary to dictate to the rest of society. The clinic is a response to the needs of women. Abortion is a reality that must be addressed directly; its rightness or wrongness must be decided by the individual. If a woman decides that abortion is wrong for her, we fully support her in her choice and every facility should be made available to help her through her pregnancy and beyond. (The misnomer PRO ABORTION suggests that we encourage

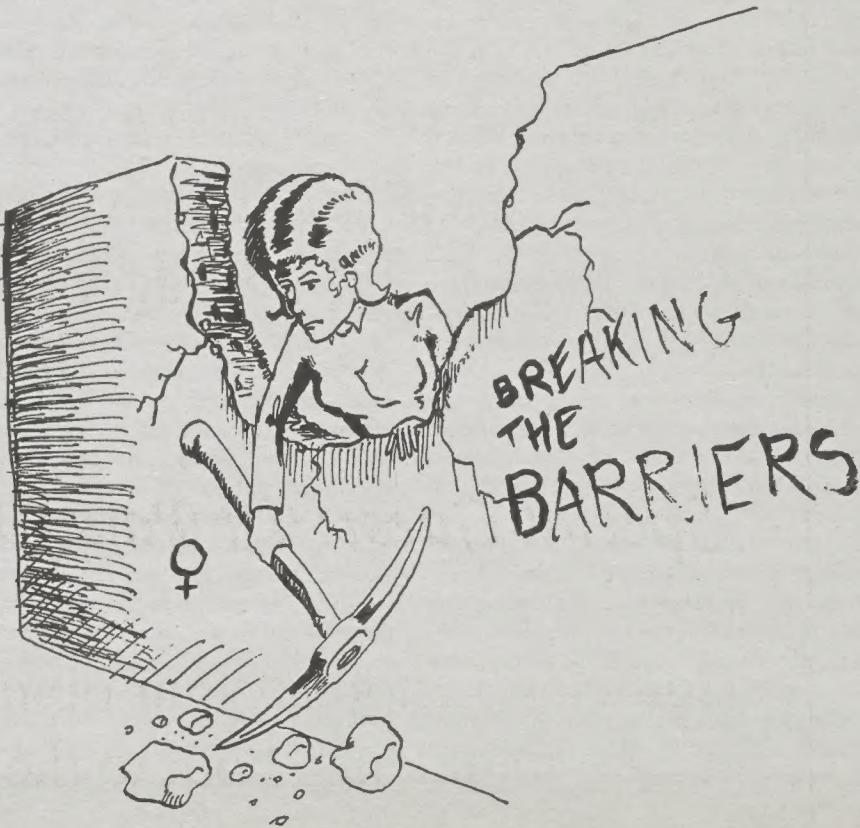
women to have abortions. This is not the case as only the individual women can have a choice. We are however PRO ACCESS). On the other hand, if a woman decides that she wants to terminate her pregnancy, she should also be provided with every available service. Unwanted pregnancy is a frightening reality for many Canadian women. Issues of legislation, access, and morality attempt to confuse and limit women's choices, but once there is an unwanted pregnancy a choice must be made. In July 1990, Yvonne Yurewitz of Toronto chose a back street abortion. She died. Throughout the world women die daily because they choose to terminate pregnancy. Limiting abortion services does not stop abortion from happening. Whether or not there is legislation, or safe and easy access, or external influences dictating a woman's morality toward her pregnancy, women do choose abortion. We as a nation have a medical responsibility to women who make this choice, just as we have a medical responsibility to

women who choose to carry their pregnancy to term.

Presently in Canada there is no abortion law. Bill C-43 was defeated on the 31st of January 1991 - there has been no new law proposed. Thus, in Canada it is possible for women to get abortions without the fear of legal repercussions BUT the fact that abortion is allowed in principle does not mean it is easy to obtain in practice. Access is essential. Abortion must also be made "...cheap, quick, safe and easy. Those who object to that idea need not undergo the procedure" (Greer, Germaine. "Abortion i Essay". Sunday Times. 7th May 1972).

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT ABORTION

*The majority of abortions done in Canada (89.7%) are done in the first trimester (February 1991. Toronto Life). *74% of women who have abortions have had no previous abortion (ibid). *Only 12% of Canadians believe that abortion should be illegal in all circumstances. (The Gallup Report. Monday October 15, 1990).



Feature by Sue Fisher
and Dhooleka Sarhadi,
Chairperson, U of A
Campus Pro-Choice

on debate

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COMPASSION, NOT CRUELTY - LOVE THEM BOTH

Abortion claims two victims - a woman and her preborn baby

An abortion "clinic" in Edmonton?:

With news that Henry Morgentaler wishes to open an abortuary in Edmonton by July, another round in the abortion debate has begun. Society does not accept abortion, such that, even after 22 years since "legalization" in 1969, the abortion controversy continues.

Yet amidst the cries of pro-abortionists, voices that for 22 years have claimed abortion is a necessary component of equality and freedom, a vital issue has been overlooked - abortion is a painful decision. Abortion hurts. Abortion claims two victims - a woman and her preborn baby.

Abortion's Physical and Psychological Scars:

Abortion Recovery Canada, a national agency that counsels women who have suffered from abortion, has an advertisement that reads: "Two go in for every abortion - only one comes out - her pain will last much longer." This condition highlights the need for women in pregnancy crisis to be offered compassion, not cruelty; love, not abortion. Tens of thousands of women in Canada suffer from what the medical community now recognizes as Post Abortion Syndrome - the collection of symptoms related to the traumatic abortion experience.

Morgentaler may claim he is providing "services" for women by creating political pressure to open an abortuary in Edmonton. He may claim he is the champion of "women's freedom." He may claim that his practice as an abortionist is an "act of charity" and not the pursuit of business and power.

To thousands of women Morgentaler is now the symbol of male oppression, a man who's profession is abusive to the bodies and

minds of women, a man who profits and glories not in healing, but in injuring his patients. His is a sad occupation, while abortion recovery centers across the nation sort together the pieces of lives he has shattered.

Post Abortion Syndrome:

The medical community has identified some of the physical effects of abortion to be: hemorrhaging, damaged cervix, perforated bowel, increased difficulty in becoming pregnant, impaired child bearing ability, miscarriages, stillbirths, infections, perforated uterus, sterility, and tubal pregnancies.

The psychological effects include: depression, sense of loss, guilt and mourning, denial, suicidal impulses, lower self-esteem, hostility and anger, anxiety and nightmares, pre-occupation with due date or abortion date, or determination to finish pregnancy cycle with another pregnancy.

Ironically, Morgentaler cited that there is a high rate of abortion complications in an interview with the Edmonton Journal on March 13, 1991. Yet he somehow overlooks how these complications cause irreparable damage on a daily basis to Canadian women. He forgets the women that have filed lawsuits against him. In effect, by demanding that he be permitted to operate an abortuary in Edmonton, he is only perpetuating the cycle of violence against the very women he claims to serve.

Her preborn baby:

What do we know about the preborn babies that are killed by abortion? Scientific evidence is without question on the pro-life side. Almost all abortions are performed between the 8th and 12th week of pregnancy. What have researchers in fetal development discovered through these stages of

pregnancy?

Week 1 to 4:

- major organs forming; 20 days after conception, the foundations of the brain, spinal cord and nervous system are already established; by day 21, the heart begins to beat

Week 4:

- blood circulating; brain emitting waves; backbone and muscles forming. Arms, legs, eyes, and ears starting to show

Week 7:

- all vital organs are present; the baby is perfectly developed with fingers, toes, feet; the first movements of body, arms, and legs occur; sex can visually be determined; the buds of milk teeth appear; brain waves can now be recorded

Week 8:

- baby less than one thumb's length from head to rump; palm creases, fingerprints, footprints visible; baby responds to painful stimuli (such as needle prick), will grasp an object and make a fist

Week 9:

- individual limbs moving; development is concerned with growth and maturation of organs and tissues

Week 10:

- fingernails developing; sucking thumbs, fingers, toes; baby can squint, swallow, wrinkle her forehead

Week 11:

- baby is very active; muscle movements are more coordinated; urination occurs

Week 12:

- baby weighs one ounce and is three inches in length; begins to look like mom or dad; exhales and inhales amniotic fluid

and will continue to do so until born; already extremely sensitive to touch, heat, sound, discomfort, and pain; vocal chords are forming and the baby goes through the motions of crying; baby now sleeps, awakens and exercises its muscles with energy

- baby will grow faster between 12 weeks and 28 weeks than she will ever grow again in her lifetime

The baby inside her womb is a unique individual, never before created, never to be created again. Yet Morgentaler refuses to accept scientific evidence that has been established for

over 30 years, namely that her preborn baby is very much alive and very much a human being in need of care. When Morgentaler lectured at the University of Alberta last March he confirmed his ignorance of these facts once again. Can



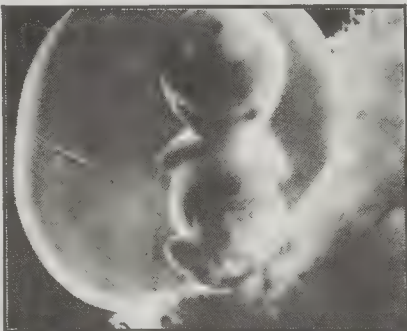
Preborn at 6 weeks. Mom knows she is pregnant by now.

we permit a man of such medical ignorance to "practice medicine" in Alberta?

The opening of an abortuary in Alberta will mean not only a detriment to women's health, but it brings the ethical question closer to home: is it ever right to kill a preborn baby?

The right to life:

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights



Preborn at 8 weeks. Abortions start to begin at this stage of development.

(adopted by the United Nations in 1948) cites that "everyone has the right to life, liberty, and security of person."

Our own Canadian constitution contains this very statement. Many other rights and freedoms have been universally declared, and are contained in our national constitution, but of all of these, reason dictates that it is the right to life that is fundamental and inalienable.

Why the right to life? Because if our very right to life is stripped

from us so that we may be destroyed, there is no liberty that we may call our own, there is no security of person, no freedom of conscience, religion, thought, opinion, expression - nothing. All other rights and freedoms become meaningless if our right to life is stolen from us. The right to life is the right upon which all other rights and freedoms depend.

Discrimination in Canada against the right to life:

With absolutely no Canadian abortion law since January 28, 1988, a preborn baby in Canada may be killed up until the day of birth. Something is drastically wrong. Our society is guilty of blatant discrimination against the right to life on the basis of age and place of residence.

The issue is Life or Death: if we choose to uphold the right to life for all human beings without discrimination, then we choose Life; if we choose to deny the right to life to a segment of society, then we choose Death. The choice is clear. However the victims of our past ignorance have been silent, voiceless infants and their unsuspecting mothers. Almost 100,000 times a year a woman and her preborn child are "legally" victimized by abortion in Canada. Over one and a half million abortions have been performed in Canada since 1969.

Searching for solutions:

Finding a solution to abortion will not be an easy task. We all recognize that many social factors are involved. However, one thing is certain: women in crisis pregnancies need our compassion and assistance, not our disregard; women who have suffered from abortion need our compassion even more so, not our rejection. But above all, we must recognize that a pregnant mother holds within her the precious gift of life. We must love them both, mother and child. There are alternatives to abortion - there have to be.

Confidential medical, legal, and emotional help available from Canadian Rights Coalition at 1-800-634-2224.

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Women Exploited at 1-800-665-0570



Preborn at 10 weeks. The majority of abortions are performed in the next two or three weeks, but may occur at any time up until birth.



Feature by Michael S. Lambert, President U of A Campus ProLife

The Audiophile

Apple
Mother Love Bone
Polygram

In 1977 Marc Bolan of T. Rex died when the car driven by his girlfriend hit a tree. Ian Curtis of Joy Division hung himself in 1980 days before the start of the U.S. tour. Jimi Hendrix died in 1970 after inhaling his vomit while in a tranquiliser induced semi-coma. Janis Joplin died the same year of a heroin overdose. Robbie McIntosh of The Average White Band died in 1974 of a morphine and heroin overdose. Sid Vicious died in 1979 of a heroin overdose after murdering his girlfriend. Elvis Presley died in 1977 of a drug overdose and became immortal.

After recording his band's debut album, Andrew Wood of Mother Love Bone died in 1990 of a heroin overdose. *Apple* was released this year. The band decided not to replace Wood and has since folded.

Does anybody remember Ten Minute Warning? They were this Seattle thrash band that used to sing depressing but very fast

metalpunkscreaming stuff. Greg Gilmore, the drummer of Bone used to play for them (as did Duff McKagan of Guns N' Roses). When another Seattle band, Green River, broke up one half went to Bone and the other half to Mudhoney. Ten Minute Warning, Green River, Mudhoney, Guns N' Roses. If you like any of these bands (except for the first which doesn't fit) you will like Mother Love Bone.

Funky metal with whiny vocals and definitely driving beat. Dumb ironic lyrics—"I don't believe in smack...Said don't ya die on me babe/Don't ya die on me!/'Cause love's all good people need and music sets the sick ones free." 'Heartshine' has a great intro, reflecting roots of riotous messy music. These guys sound like they'd be apeshit live. Comparisons to Jane's Addiction, but without that eerie voice (substitute GNR type voice.)

There may be room for Andrew Wood with that list of heavies I started with. Right after Jimi, Janis and Sid.

Gabino Vidal Travassos



As You Like
Goat
Polygram/Vertigo/Beggar's Banquet

Although this British band has had a relatively obscure commercial existence, their hard rock sound has elicited a great deal of attention and a considerable amount of favourable comment from the usually catty British press. Their debut album, "As You Like" combines both rock power as well as innovation, which explains the rave reviews that have showered this group from the normally merciless critics. There's no lumbering axe attacks here, friends.

Brighton's Goat (vocalist Marcus Vandell, bassist Mark Browning, drummer Ambient Lovejoy, and guitarist Adrian Oxaal) began four years ago when some musicians got together for a recording project; they decided to do gigs together chiefly for their own enjoyment. They came to the attention of Cult alumnus Jamie Stewart while performing in Oxford, who decided to produce this debut album. With Stewart on board, the band was able to stray from those well beaten paths that most hard rock types seem to follow—resulting in a fresher, less formulaic sound.

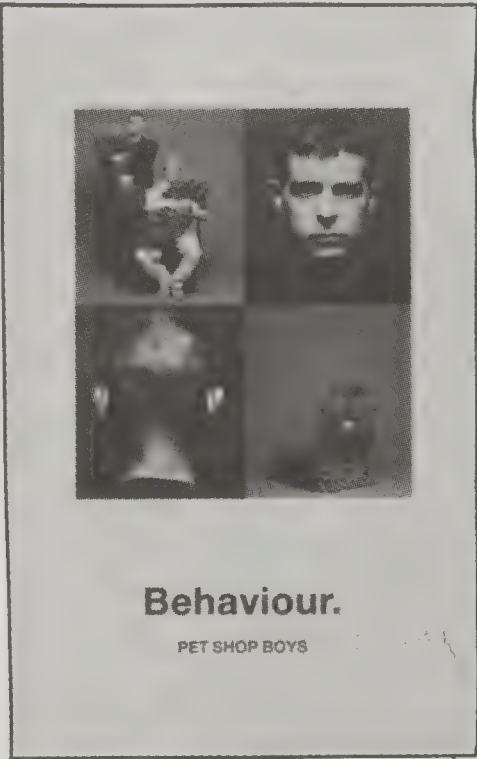
Goat experiments with hard rock rather

than expectorating it; instead of using the tried and true metal styles, Goat's music combines various influences to make their rock richer. Oxaal's guitar work can range from psychedelica to sixties funk styles; sometimes (like on the track "Don't Cry"), heavy axe work rises and recedes like waves on a rock laden beach. Soft, acoustic interludes miscegenate with powerful, acid-based rock, and Vandell's vocals range from the soft and sensitive to Joplinsque screams. The band constantly strains against the boundaries of acid rock, yet Goat still seems to stay within them.

The lyrics also break free of the usual rock formulas; the normal boasts about sexual prowess or sensitive love songs to girls named Cherry Pie are avoided. Yet Goat avoids pomposity as well—my favourite track is "Zombie Breakout", which was obviously inspired by a trip to a local video shop and contains a fair amount of laughs in it.

If you like noise, well you may as well listen to this stuff rather than the usual run of the mill metal bands, who never seem to be able to see past their hairdos. Imagine putting studs on your hippie love beads—that best describes the sound of Goat.

Andy Philpotts



Behaviour
Pet Shop Boys
Capitol Records/EMI

The Pet Shop Boys, of course need no introduction. If you haven't heard club monsters like "West End Girls" and "Opportunities", well, obviously you haven't been to a discotheque or listened to the radio in the

past five years or so. The kings of Eurodisco have released yet more dance biggies in their new album "Behaviour".

Most of you who are familiar with the Pet Shop Boys (vocalist Neil Tennant and instrumentalist Sean Lowe) know exactly what to expect on this album; there's nothing new here. Electronically produced dance rhythms, lots of synthetically produced violins and harps, and last but not least, Tennant's trademark (and markedly nasal) vocals. There are already two hits off of this album, "So Hard" and "Being Boring" (check out the video of the latter, it's full of bubbles and bottoms, good clean fun), as expected. But the Pet Shop Boys don't just spew out mindless pop; the lyrics display a sharp and frequently funny wit. "So Hard" depicts two hypocritical lovers who are both playing about on the side and who both know of the other's infidelities—and both pretend that nothing is going on. "My October Symphony" pokes fun at the failure of communism. "Being Boring" takes a look at how people change over the years; they lack direction depth when young, but when they gain the wisdom of age, they lose their zest for life. The lyrics make the Pet Shop Boys' music more than just disco (doubtless without them the music would be boring), which probably explains much of their success. On the other hand, who listens to the lyrics when they're dancing anyway? Have fun, discobunnies.

Andy Phillpotts

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Bears in tough for Ice Championship

Bears vs Warriors 6 p.m.(mst) T.S.N.(tape delay)

by Todd Saelhof

If ranking is any indication of who the final two participating hockey squads will be at the C.I.A.U. 1990-91 season climax in Toronto this coming weekend, then the number two University of Alberta Golden Bears should square-off against the top seeded University of Quebec-Trois Rivières Patriotes. And if each team does overthrow the respective opposition in the National semi-final matches, then it will be the third time in six years that the Bears and Patriotes face each other in the Final Four.

In '85-86, Alberta reigned C.I.A.U. supreme with a 5-2 defeat of the Patriotes in front of a hometown Green and Gold crowd. The following year, U.Q.T.R. returned the favour by dumping the Bears in a National semi-final 5-4. Should they meet in Toronto, it will be the rubber match. Bear head coach Bill Moores, however, is not overlooking their semi-final match-up against the Waterloo Warriors in favour of the deciding game.

"Without winning on Saturday, there is no next game," Moores said. "So we've only focussed on Waterloo, and even with them we don't have a lot of information."

Indeed, coming from the West, the Bears are unaware of the force within the Eastern ranks.

"Both teams are going in kind of cold," added Moores. "Normally, when we get ready to prepare against a team, we have to execute our systems well, and get ourselves mentally, physically, and emotionally prepared."

Of course, execution has been a great part of the Green and Gold tradition, but in recent trips to the Nationals, even with huge offensive weaponry, the Bears have fired their share of blanks. Moores,

however, considers the '90-91 Bears to be a different Green and Gold brand.

"Every year is different. I don't see that as being a real problem. The game is played at face-value. You know, you have to play it that particular day. We'll be prepared."

And good preparation should bring big Bear results from the likes of Adam Morrison, 10 points in four playoff games, captain Doug McCarthy, nine in five post-season contests, and Rob Glasgow, seven goals in five.

On the defence, first team Canada West all-star defenseman Ian Herbers and second-teamer Garth Premak help hold the fort, while second squad star Gavin Armstrong mans the netminding duties.

University of Waterloo Warriors

It has been 18 seasons since any hockey squad from the University of Waterloo has ever set skates on final four ice of the C.I.A.U. National Championships. This year, however, a tough Warrior team pays a visit to Toronto in hopes of collecting the prestigious Canadian Title.

"Yeah, we're the new kids on the block," said Warrior head coach Don McKee. "We haven't been to the Finals since '73, so maybe we can be the cinderella team."

For a cinderella type squad, the Warriors have posted impressive '90-91 statistics. In fact, number three ranked Waterloo topped the Ontario University Athletic Association's West division with 38 points, eleven ahead of the Windsor, W.L.U., and Western. The Warriors emerged from the West unscathed but met the top seeded

U.Q.T.R. Patriotes, victors of the East division, in a symbolic O.U.A.A. Final. The much heralded Patriotes dumped them two straight McKee, however, is positive about a better result in Saturday's semi-final against the Golden Bears.

"We're optimistic that we can play with everybody. And if we can't, then the other teams are going to have to show us that we can't."

"We don't know a great deal about the Bears, but we do know that they have solid coaching and a healthy reputation," McKee added.

"We're going to have to go out, wait for the breaks, and make the most of them."

In the playoffs, so far, the Warriors have relied on Dave Lorentz to make the most with the puck. Lorentz is tied for sixth on the scoring parade with a six goals and the same number of assists.

On the defensive end, Steve Udvari stands between the pipes with a 2.46 regular season goals against average. In the playoffs, however, the Warrior goaltender has stood even taller with a sparkling 1.61 G.A.A.. It is an area that McKee believes is necessary to counter the potentially strong Golden Bear attack.

"When you're playing a club like Alberta, goaltending is critical. Alberta can speak well of that knowing what Mark Applewhite did to them two years ago."

What the York Yeomen backstop did to the gun-toting Bears was shut them down to only one goal on fifty-odd shots. It was enough for the Yeomen to win 2-1 in double overtime and keep Alberta from the C.I.A.U. Final tilt.

Two years later, McKee and other Waterloo fans hope that the Bears will similarly fall victim to Udvari.

U.P.E.I.

The University of Prince Edward Island Panthers are in the unenviable position of playing the number one ranked U.Q.T.R. Patriotes in the first of two National semi-final matches. For the Panthers, it is not an impossible task, but to pull off the upset, they will have to unload their firepower on a top-notch Patriote defence.

Led by Derek Clancy, second in nationwide scoring behind Calgary Dinosaur centerman Wayne Hynes, and Rich Little, fourth with 51 points, the Panthers rely on an offensive show. It has proved successful, so far, in post-season action, as U.P.E.I. outscored opposition stand-out Dalhousie Tigers to reach the Final Four.

"One can't help but be impressed with Atlantic conference teams," said Waterloo Warrior coach Don McKee. "They have a lot of very skilled hockey players."

Indeed, the skill has proved its



Ron Sears

Armstrong and Bears lunge for eighth Crown.

The Road to the C.I.A.U. Puck Final

Alberta Golden Bears (2)

Waterloo Warriors (3)
(Sat. Mar. 23 6 pm TSN)

U.Q.T.R. Patriotes (1)

U.P.E.I. Panthers (4)
(Fri. Mar. 22 5:30 pm TSN)

C.I.A.U. Final (Toronto)
(Sun. Mar. 24 1 pm TSN)



Wiebe and Goodwin off to Nationals as #2 seed. Ron Sears

worth throughout the playoffs. Little leads all nation skaters with 20 post-season points, including an incredible dozen goals. Shane MacEachern, former St. Louis Blue farmhand, sits second with 18 points, and Bob Giffen is tied for third overall with 13.

The defence, however, does not appear to be a Panther strong point. In fact, U.P.E.I. enters the Final Four with 120 goals against in 26 regular season Atlantic University Athletic Association match-ups. The opposition Patriotes, on the other hand, have only allowed a nation low 55 goals against in 22 games.

If any team is the underdog in Toronto, the Panthers are. Always remember, though, the pressure is off them, and anything can happen in a one-game sudden death.

U.Q.T.R.

Without a doubt, the University

of Quebec-Trois Rivières Patriotes are odds-on favourites to leave Toronto with the C.I.A.U. National hockey title. After all, the Patriotes are perennial attenders at the Final Four bash, and this year their return was virtually inevitable.

U.Q.T.R. went undefeated through the first half of the season and turned in a 17-4-1 record by year's end. The offence, powered by 48 point-getter Jean Bois, netted an amazing 168 goals for while surrendering just 55 pucks against in 22 games. During the post-season, another Jean, named Bergeron, and Robert Page have stepped to the forefront, both picking up nine points in just four O.U.A.A. East division matches.

Obviously, les Patriotes have eaten up all opponents en route to Toronto. The hometown Blues felt the wrath of U.Q.T.R., bowing out two straight in a best-of-three O.U.A.A. East division Final.



Don Carle

Glasgow prepared for National Championships

When Rob Glasgow joined the Golden Bear hockey team as a rookie in 1986-87, it looked as though he was joining a team that would once again win the National Championship.

In the previous season, the Bears won the Nationals by defeating the University of Quebec-Trois Rivières 5-2 in the final. Unfortunately for Glasgow, that was the last time the Bears reached a season's final game.

Today, the Bear veteran is four years wiser, and back with a shot to again play in the Final.

To get this far this year, the Bears were spared a gruelling *Battle of Alberta* series for the Canada West Title when Regina proved to be a spoiler, knocking off the Calgary Dinosaurs. The Dinos led the Canada West standings for the entire season, and the pressure was on the Bears to catch Calgary all year.

Now with the Bears playing in the best of one National semi-finals on Saturday against the University of Waterloo Warriors, the pressure is even greater.

"It can't hurt, being used to the pressure. Now it's all the marbles in one game," Glasgow said. "We're taking it one step at a time and every series we've taken it one game at a time, so that's what we're

doing against Waterloo."

And one reason the pressure is greater is that Waterloo is an unknown factor.

"We don't know what to expect from them, so that's the biggest thing. The best thing we can do for ourselves is get ready and play the game we know we're capable of playing."

As well as dealing with the pressure of the upcoming game, Glasgow's leadership role on the Bears is not without a heavy load of responsibility. Now in his fifth year with the team, Glasgow is looked up to by eight Bear freshmen (a number equalling that of the seniors on this year's team). It is this pressure, however, that he thrives on. So much so, that Glasgow has tallied seven times for the Canada West playoff goal lead.

"Us guys that have been at Nationals before have been relaying our experiences of what it is like. We're just trying to get a feeling that this isn't it. The Westerns were great, but this isn't the end of the line".

It is, however, the end of the line for Glasgow, whether or not the Bears win the Nationals this weekend in Toronto.

His eligibility runs out at the end of this season and university hockey



Fifth year Golden Bear Rob Glasgow has last shot at winning the C.I.A.U. Title.

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will no longer be a part of his life. Rather than making hockey the focal point of his life, he's applied for

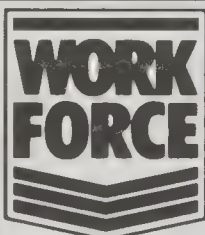
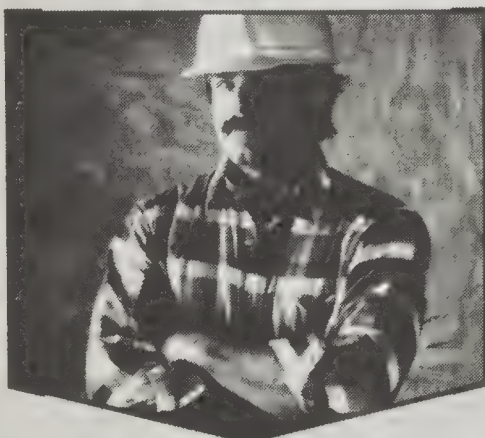
medical school and plans to begin in the fall.

Whether or not Rob Glasgow

helps the Bears to their eighth National Championship, his future, at least for now, seems secure.

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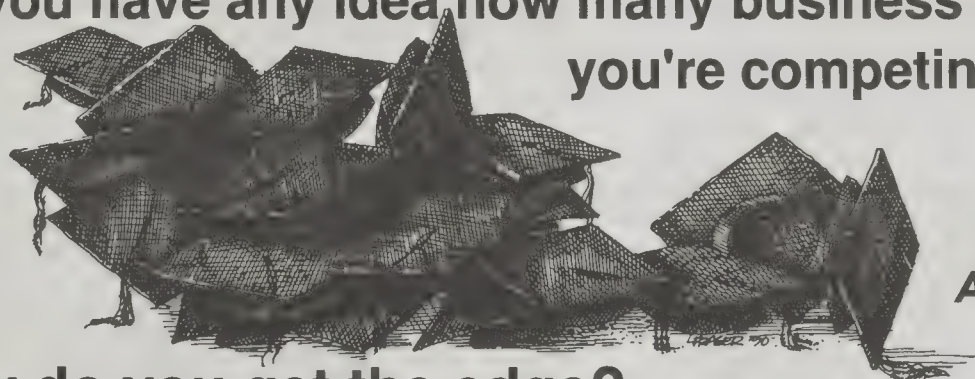
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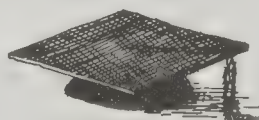


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Jonathan McDonald

Final Four fortunes made and lost

March Madness has fallen upon us once again, with all the hoopla and fanfare that we have come to expect of the annual N.C.A.A. tournament.

Hand-in-hand with the Madness is the perennial Tournament Pool. The Pool is good gambling, as the player attempts to guess the winners of 63 games during the month. Easier said than done: the whole tournament's results must be envisioned correctly from Day One, and the slightest, foolish mistake or tourney upset can knock a person out of the running very early.

The Pool in which I have mired myself has thirty-nine players paying ten dollars apiece for a crack at the \$350 jackpot. No small change. Thirty dollars goes to the runner-up, while the bronze medallist merely gets his or her cash back. The other thirty-six contestants paid their money and took their chances.

It's a good thing we're dealing

in veritable peanuts. A friend in New York informs me that his office Pool has a jackpot of \$4,000. How convenient it would be to have two years' tuition dropped in your lap.

Of course, one can't forget the Vegas odds, or the steeper numbers posted by Danny Sheridan of C.N.N. and U.S.A. Today. Nevada-Las Vegas, heavily favoured to win their second consecutive title, were posted at 1:2. Win fifty bucks on a hundred dollar bet. Nothing to sneeze at, but it's a pretty conservative sure thing. Why not take North Carolina, a seriously potential victor, at 5:1? It makes a bit more sense if you're going to fritter your money away.

The wishful thinkers and extremely downtrodden should have bypassed even Southern Cal at 1000:1. If you're shooting for the moon, why not take South Alabama at 100,000:1. Not enough of a payoff? How about Wisconsin-Green Bay at 1,000,000:1? Now

we're talking! But wait. Our neighbour to the south, the University of Montana, was placed at 1 billion:1. Yes, 1,000,000,000:1. Now there's an injection of confidence for you Grizzlies' fans out there. I can see it now: "Man Turns Five Dollar Investment Into Billions... On the Next Geraldo!" Everyone's tuition... several times over.

So, how about the hoops? Few big surprises. Arkansas has arrived at the Regionals with two solid victories, although the Sun Devils of Arizona State nearly rained on Coach Nolan Richardson's run-'n-gun parade. In the West Regional, the Favoured Four have slipped into the Sweet Sixteen, but since when has Seton Hall (New Jersey) been in the West? For that matter, when did Oklahoma State become an Eastern Squad? Or Connecticut, Duke (North Carolina), or St. John's (New York) as Midwestern representatives? The good folks at N.C.A.A. headquarters seem strikingly confused about their geogra-

phy!

This weekend features some pretty decent match-ups. Perhaps you have put a couple of bucks on 50,000:1 Eastern Michigan, who face North Carolina. Syracuse has ruined more than a few Pools with their first-round loss to Richmond. Anyway, take Carolina in the East, Duke in the Midwest, U.N.L.V. in the West - boy, I hope I'm wrong - and Arkansas in the Southeast. Oh, and while I'm flogging a dead horse, how can it be that North Carolina in the East is but ten miles from Duke in the Midwest? Don't be fooled by the atlas - the United States is really a very small country.

So, if you placed money on Georgia State, Northeastern, or Montana, membership in Fortune 500 will have to wait until another year. Oh, and if I win my Pool... then Jerry Tarkanian and his Lost Boys of Vegas were just another one of those "flash-in-the-pan" type hoop squads.

U.A.B. mood optimistic

by Todd Saelhof

Exactly two months ago, the mood at the University Athletics Board (U.A.B.) was anything but positive. With University of Alberta Golden Bear football being deleted from the Athletics' Department budget, 60 student athletes were being forced to make a difficult decision on their university career. In addition, approximately 110 other athletes faced a similar dilemma because of impending cuts to the gymnastics, track and field, and volleyball programs.

Today, though, the mood has swung to one of optimism since learning that the Golden Bear football program would return to full operation for the upcoming 1991-92 season.

"Everyone's really happy, now. They can get on with plans," said Darryl Szafranski, U.A.B. Vice-President of male athletics and former Golden Bear wide receiver. "They don't have to worry about registering for another school. They can stay here and get an education."

Thanks in big part to the Golden Bear Football Alumni, who did the majority of the fund raising necessary to field a Green and Gold gridiron squad for next season.

"As far as football goes, I can't say enough about the work that Dave Rowand and the Alumni did, and the players themselves really got behind everything," said U.A.B. President Rick Chamney. "They deserve definitely to come back."

Indeed, the players did what they could to provide for their own cause. According to the U.A.B., next year's Golden Bear hopefuls raised in excess of \$13,000. It is a healthy amount indicative of their desire to stay and play at the U of A rather than head off and try their hand with another football pro-

gram. However, there is a flip side to every coin.

"Even though the football team has been saved, there are still six other teams out there that are still on the cutting block," Szafranski said. "Their futures are in jeopardy."

But much brighter thanks to the "yes" vote on the student's referendum question during the campus election. While the added hike in the tuition cost is only an extra bonus for the football funding, the increase has made all the difference in the world to the other 110 anx-

ious athletes. The U.A.B. is still awaiting for the Student's Union to come up with a way to budget the referendum money.

"All we know for sure is that all six targeted programs are eligible for the funding," Chamney said.

The U.A.B. President also indicated that with the re-emergence of pigskin on campus, other program believers feel optimistic.

"It's definitely a moral boost," added Chamney. "The other alumni teams feel very positive that if football can do it, then they can as well."

They can and will by all U.A.B. counts. If optimism has anything to do with maintaining those teams targeted for deletion by Athletics, then it is a good bet that all Golden Bear and Panda players will return to their programs.

For now, however, the students and alumni will continue their fight.

"We're very happy. We're one-seventh of the way there," Chamney said. "It's nice to know that 60 of our athletes won't be forced to make that choice between education and athletics."

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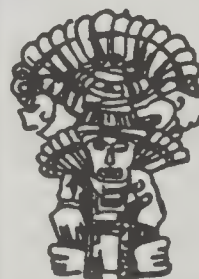
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- requires 5 student-at-large members

The Academic Affairs Board:

- make recommendations to Students' Council on academic affairs and academic relations
- assists and advises the Vice-President Academic on implementation of Students' Union policy
- promotes cooperation and coordination with faculty associations & the General Faculties Council Student Caucus
- administers Students' Union Awards
- for further information contact **Jason Forth, 259 SUB**

ADMINISTRATION BOARD

- requires 4 student-at-large members

The Administration Board:

- considers recommendations concerning the Students' Union budgets and applications for non-budgeted expenses
- considers applications for financial assistance from all faculty associations and Students' Union Registered Clubs
- aids in financial policy making with respect to Dewey's, RATT, L'Express, Myer Horowitz Theatre, Games and other areas of the Students' Union
- for further information contact **Michael Aherne, 259 SUB**

EUGENE L. BRODY FUNDING BOARD

- requires 4 student-at-large members

The Brody Board:

- determines Students' Union financial donations to various charitable or relief projects from the Eugene Brody Fund
- for further information contact **Sean Kennedy, 259 SUB**

BYLAWS & CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE

- requires 2 student-at-large members

The Bylaws Committee:

- drafts new Bylaws and amends existing Bylaws and Constitution
- makes recommendations to Students' Council concerning Constitution amendments
- for further information contact **Suresh Mustapha, 259 SUB**

DISCIPLINE, INTERPRETATION & ENFORCEMENT (D.I.E.) BOARD

- requires 10 students-at-large (5 regular and 5 alternate) members who must be in their second or further years of studies

The D.I.E. Board:

- acts as administrative tribunal for Students' Union constitution and bylaws
- has "court-like" powers
- investigates and tries alleged breaches of discipline
- interprets Students' Union Constitution and Bylaws
- for further information contact **Suresh Mustapha, 259 SUB**
- Term of Office: 1 June 1991 to 30 May 1992**

REFUGEE STUDENT BOARD

- requires 1 student-at-large member

The Refugee Student Board:

- administers the fund established by SU referendum of 17 and 18 March 1988 for purpose of supporting refugee students on the U of A campus through the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) Student Refugee Program
- for further information contact **Sean Kennedy, 259 SUB**

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS BOARD

- requires 7 student-at-large members

The External Affairs Board:

- creates and coordinates projects on campus concerning various issues of interest and concern
- makes recommendations to Students' Council on political issues
- for further information contact **Sean Kennedy, 259 SUB**

STUDENT NEWSPAPER COMMITTEE

- requires 2 student-at-large members

The Student Newspaper Committee:

- hears grievances against "The Gateway" and recommends appropriate action
- meets and discusses the Editor-in-Chief's monthly reports, and passes on the appropriate sections to Students' Council

- makes recommendations regarding the Student Newspaper Bylaw, and ensures Editors and News staff are obeying the same
- for further information contact **Marc Dumouchel, 259 SUB**

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

- requires 9 student-at-large members

The Nominating Committee:

- selects the Students' Union Directors of service areas and the Commissioners
- selects the members of other Students' Union boards and committees
- for further information contact **Suresh Mustapha, 259 SUB**

BUILDING SERVICE BOARD

- requires 5 student-at-large members

The Building Services Board:

- makes recommendations to Students' Council concerning building policies in the Students' Union Building (SUB)
- makes policy recommendations to Students Council concerning services offered by the Students' Union
- approves allocating of space in the Students' Union Building according to building policy
- considers applications for Dinwoodie cabarets
- for further information contact **Marc Dumouchel, 259 SUB**

HOUSING AND TRANSPORT COMMISSION

- requires 6 student-at-large members

The Housing and Transport Committee:

- makes policy recommendations to Students' Council concerning housing and transportation concerns
- is responsible for the preparation and maintenance of a long-range plan of housing and transportation for the students at the U of A by the Students' Union
- works with the various student residences on issues of concern
- investigates development and zoning plans for the University area
- for further information contact **Jody Wilson, 259 SUB**

Standing Committees of the University President and Vice Presidents

COMMITTEE ON SEXUAL HARASSMENT

- requires 2 undergraduate members

Purpose:

- to recommend policy about both informal and formal means of receiving problems/complaints
- to investigate complaints where no other negotiated or legislated means of investigation and discipline exist
- to forward recommendations and reports to the President regarding the above

Meets: At the call of the Chair

Term: 1 May 1991 to 30 April 1992

UNIVERSITY COMPUTING ADVISORY GROUP

- requires 1 undergraduate representative

Purpose:

- to provide a forum to discuss computing matters of concern to University
- to identify problems related to computing throughout the University
- to examine plans and priorities of University Computing Systems and make recommendations

Meets: At least once each month

Term: 1 May 1991 to 30 April 1992

SECURITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- requires 1 undergraduate representative

Purpose:

- to provide a forum for the review and formulation of security policy
- to ensure that security policy is in conformity with the law and to ensure consistent application on campus

Meets: At the call of the Chair

Term: 1 May 1991 to 30 April 1992

COMMITTEE ON OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY & ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

- requires 1 undergraduate student

Purpose:

- to recommend policy relating to all area of occupational health and safety and environmental issues and to serve as the focal point for consideration of general occupational health and safety and environmental policy issues of concern to the University community
- to receive reports from the Committee of Bio-Safety and Radiation Control, administrative units and committees involved in and concerned with occupational health and safety and environmental issues and programmes

Meets: At the call of the Chair

Term: 1 May 1991 to 30 April 1992

RECREATIONAL USE OF "PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND RECREATION CENTRE" COMMITTEE

- requires 3 undergraduate representatives

Purpose:

- to review recreational needs of the students and staff as they affect the scheduling of time in the Physical Education and Recreation Centre
- to establish policy as to the Centre's use during the periods not scheduled for regular classes

Meets: At the call of the Chair

Term: 1 May 1991 to 30 April 1992

UNIVERSITY COLLECTIONS COMMITTEE

- requires 1 undergraduate representative

Purpose:

- to recommend policy for security conservation, cataloging, exhibition and storage of the University Collections, and for the acquisition and disposition of major collections
- to aid in the acquisitions of outside funding for the support of the University Collections
- to assist in the preparation of central service budgets for, and the establishments of priorities for budget allocations to the University Collections
- to facilitate liaison between the University and other bodies concerned with the exhibition, care, and preservation of similar collections

Meets: At the call of the Chair, but no less than 4 per year

Term Expires: 30 June 1992

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE PURCHASE AND PLACEMENT OF WORKS OF ART

- requires 1 undergraduate student

Purpose:

- to make recommendation and give advice to the Vice-President (Administration) on the purchase or commissioning of works of art purchases from capital funds

Meets: At the call of the Chair

Term: 1 May 1991 to 30 April 1992

University of Alberta Senate

- 3 undergraduate students required to sit on the University Senate

Duties of the Senate:

- the Senate's responsibility is to inquire into any matter that might tend to enhance the usefulness of the University. It acts as a two-way link between the University and the public. The Senate may also authorize the conferring of Honorary Degrees.
- the Senate meets five times yearly
- for further information contact **Sean Kennedy, 259 SUB**

Term: 1 May 1991 to 30 April 1991

TERM OF OFFICE: 1 May 1991 to 30 April 1992 (unless otherwise stated)

DEADLINES FOR APPLICATIONS: Friday, 5 April 1991, 4:00 pm.

For applications and information, contact the Students' Union Executive Offices. Room 259 SUB, 492-4236. Applications are also available at SUB, HUB and CAB Info Booths. Confidentiality will be respected.

Students' Union Employment Opportunities

NOTE: The Students' Union is currently undergoing an extensive structural review. The changes affecting some paid positions have not yet been finalized by Students' Council. Jobs that are marked '*proposed*' are being actively reviewed. Please contact the appropriate person for details.

Student Handbook Editor

Responsibilities

Overall coordination and publication of the 1991-92 Student Handbook. Writing, updating, revising and amending articles. Preparation of camera ready layout of Handbook.

Remuneration: \$1000

Term: 1 May to 15 July 1991

For further information, contact

Marc Dumouchel, VP Internal

Speaker of Students' Council

Responsibilities

•Chair Students' Council meetings in accordance with Roberts' Rules of Order and the Standing Orders of Students' Council.

•Responsible for agendas and minutes of Students' Council.

Remuneration: \$70/meeting

For further information contact, Suresh Mustapha, President

Chief Returning Officer

Responsibilities

•Performs the duties associated with CRO position (staff recruitment and training, organization of polls, overseeing counting procedures, etc.)

•Conducts elections and referenda in accordance with applicable Students' Union Bylaws.

•Acts as arbitrator in disputes arising over elections or referenda.

Remuneration: \$1500 - plus, according to schedule established October 1984

For further information contact, Suresh Mustapha, President

Director, SU Registries

Responsibilities

•Proper functioning of the SU Registries, which include Exam, Tutor, Typist and Housing Registries, as well as the SU Computer Lab.

•Recruitment, training and supervision of all Registries staff.

•Advertising and publicity for the Registries.

•Preparation of budget and regular operating reports.

•Development and planning for the Registries.

Remuneration: \$810/month (under review)

For further information contact, Marc Dumouchel, VP Internal

Director, Information Services

Responsibilities

•Proper functioning of SU Information booths.

•Recruitment, training and supervision of staff.

•Advertising and publicity for Information Services.

•Preparation of budget and regular operating reports.

•Planning and development for Information Services.

Remuneration: \$810/month (under review)

For further information contact, Marc Dumouchel, VP Internal

Summer Newspaper Editor

Responsibilities

To write, edit and publish the Inter-session weekly paper. To solicit/collect advertising for the paper.

Remuneration: up to \$250/issue, according to set formula and external commissions.

Term: 1 May to 30 August 1991

For further information, contact

Marc Dumouchel, VP Internal

Recording Secretary

Responsibilities

•Attend all meetings of Students' Council and take accurate minutes of same.

•Must be conversant with Roberts' Rules of Order

Remuneration: \$45/meeting

For further information contact, Barb Wisniewski, 259 SUB

Housing & Transport Commissioner

Responsibilities (changed)

•Assists the Vice-President External with issues relating to housing and transportation.

•Investigates Government and University housing and transportation programmes of interest to students.

•Other duties as assigned by the VP External.

Remuneration: \$800/month

(1 May - 31 Aug. 1991)

\$600/month

(1 Sept. '91 - 30 Apr. '92)

For further information contact, Marc Dumouchel, VP Internal

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Student Ombudspersons

The Student Ombudservice represents and advises students on academic appeals, grievances and complaints, both against the University and the Students' Union. Each Ombudsperson should be familiar with University and Students' Union grievance and appeal procedures.

Remuneration: \$600/month

Term of Office: 1st position - 1 May 1991 - 30 April 1992

2nd position - 1 May 1991 - 31 May 1992

For further information contact, Marc Dumouchel, VP Internal

Director, Student Groups (proposed)

•Administration of registration and services to student groups

•Promotes coordination and cooperation among student groups and assists in applications for financial assistance

•Providing programs relating to the responsible use and service of alcohol

Remuneration: \$800-1000/month (to be determined)

For further information contact, Marc Dumouchel, VP Internal

Director, Volunteer Services (proposed)

•Promotion of volunteer opportunities and recruitment of volunteers

•Maintaining a databank of SU volunteers

•Coordination of volunteers for committees and special events

•Coordination of volunteer services and appreciation programs

Remuneration: \$800-1000/month (to be determined)

For further information contact, Marc Dumouchel, VP Internal

TERM OF OFFICE: 1 May 1991 to 30 April 1992 (unless otherwise noted)

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: 5 April, 1991, 4:00 pm, NO EXCEPTIONS

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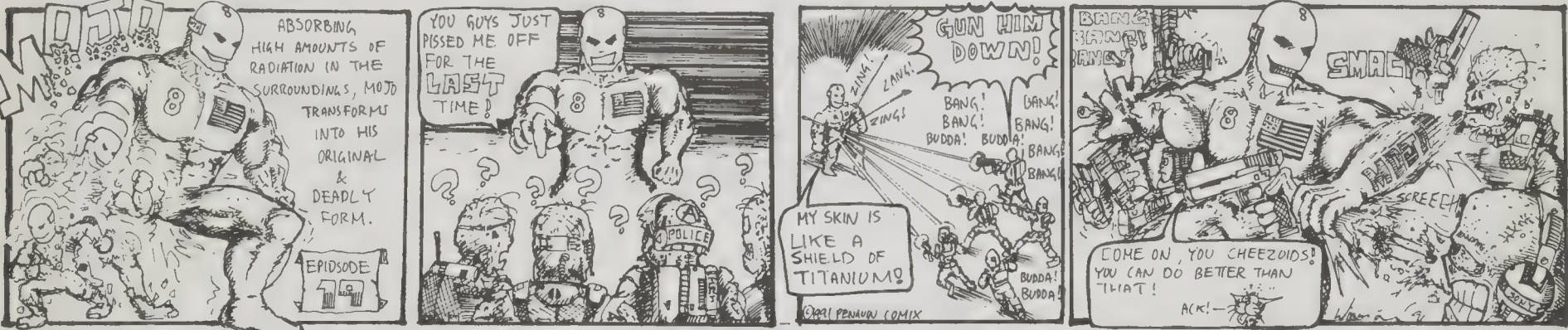
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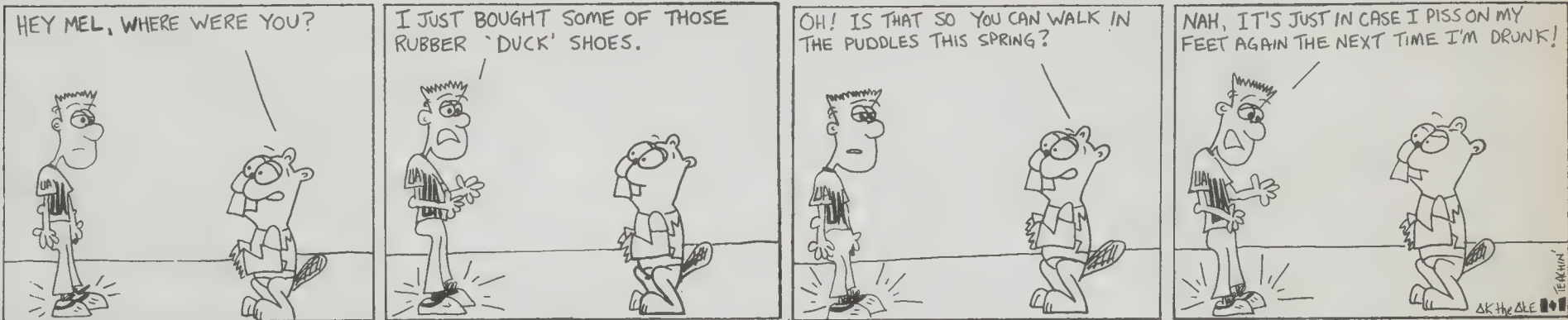
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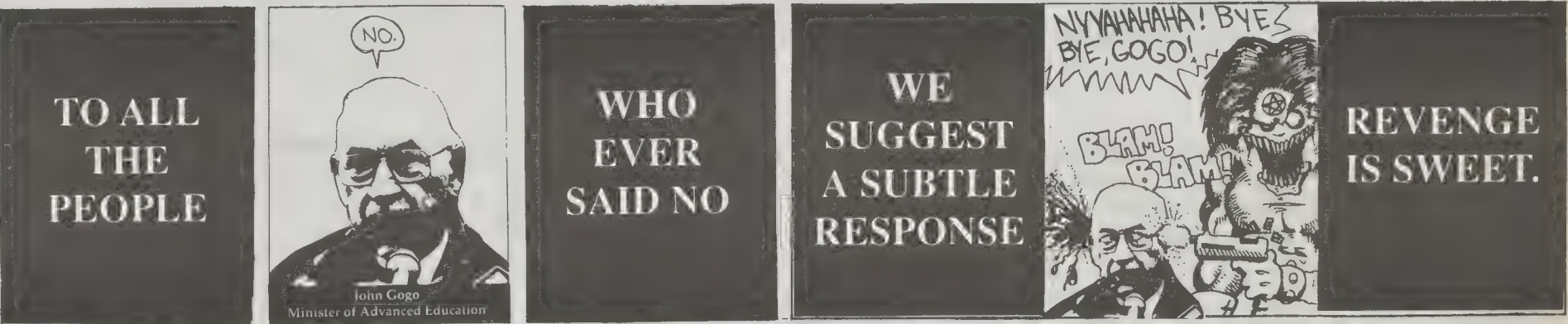
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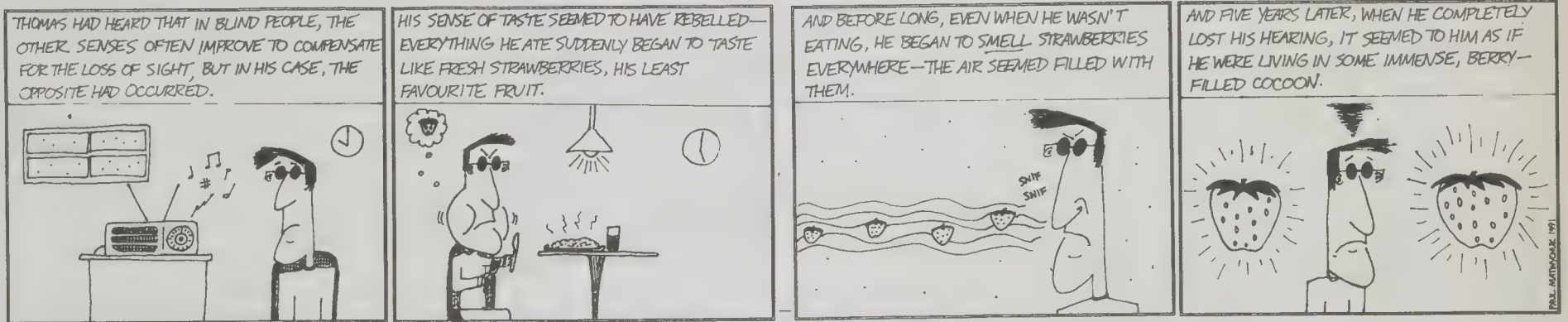
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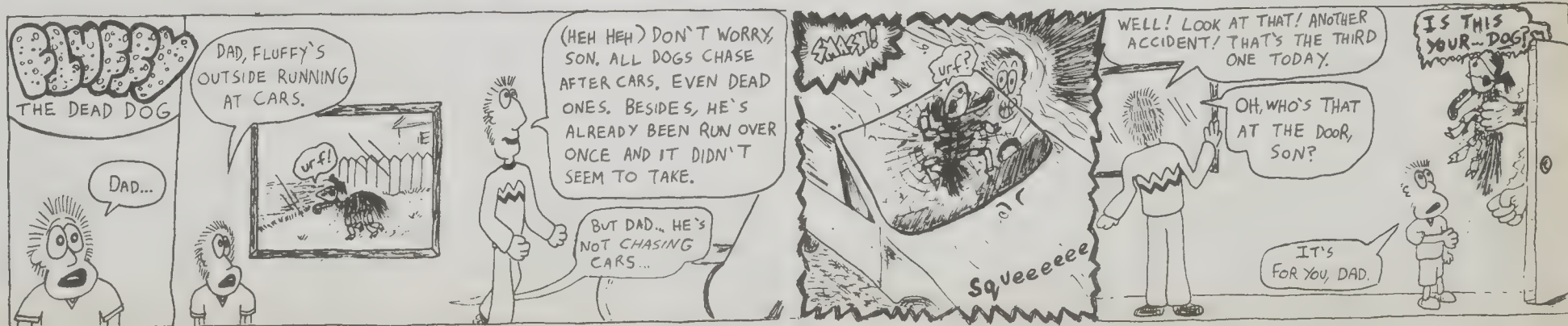
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GENERALS

Campus Presbyterian Community: to become a registered club we need a few more students. Contact Pauline Grant 492-7524 or 171B HUB Int'l.

Spring Introductory Sign Language Class. Non credit. Tuesdays & Thursdays 6-9 pm. Cost is \$70/person, May 14 - June 20. Call Disabled Student Services 492-3381 to register.

Students' Int'l Health Assoc: meets the first Wednesday of each month, Classroom F, Walter MacKenzie Centre, 5:00 pm.

U of A Fantasy Gamers Club: hash, slash, parry, thrust zot. Trapped in an adults body? Wanna Dean's vacation? Sign up. SUB 030U.

U of A Cycling Tourists: long distance cyclists - come ask about our spring ride down the Eastern seaboard. Room 30D SUB.

Campus Advent/Dialogue: Contemporary Christian dialogues on a variety of topics. 1st Sat. of every month, 4 pm, Ed North 2-105.

Baptist Student Ministries: "Focus" every Monday at 5 pm, room 171A HUB. Info: 492-7504.

Campus Presbyterian Community: we need you! Opportunities for mutual growth, support and service. Contact Pauline Grant, 492-7524 or 171B HUB

Christian Reformed Chaplaincy: welcome to a weekly soup & sandwich supper with discussions on faith and learning. Meditation Room (SUB 158A) at 5 pm.

Arts Students' Assoc.: free coffee day. Every Friday, 9:30 am til the coffee runs out. HC 2-10. Bring your own mug and be environmentally friendly. And buy your Arts t-shirt.

Wildlands Wildlife Club: every Friday at noon to discuss a variety of wildland issues. For info contact Laurie at 492-2056.

U of A Pro Choice: fighting for abortion access. Office: SUB 614 (hours posted on door). Meetings: 2 pm, Mondays, SUB 606.

Alpine (Ski) Racing Club: to all members. Dryland will continue until April, Mon & Wed, 5 pm promptly. Meet in Butterdome.

U of A Skydivers: Want to jump out of a plane. Come talk to us first. Visit us at 030F SUB.

U of A Chess Club: meets every day in room 030D SUB between 9 am and 5 pm. Everyone welcome.

U of A Trotskyist League: now available - Spartacist (winter 1990-91) Theoretical journal of the Int'l Communist League. Contact Asha: 436-5105.

AFFECT: learn about who we are and what we want to do. 618 SUB. Any day of the week.

Scuba Club: underwater sex? Tight, wet spandex? Snorkelling? Ever wondered about these? Come talk to us in 620 SUB.

ECO - Environ. Campus Org.: meetings on 2nd Thursday of each month at 7 pm, Envir. Resource Centre 10511 - Sask. Drive.

U of A Objectivist Club: Ayn Rand's philosophy. Objectivism discussed at Wed meetings. More info at our office - 030K SUB.

Women's Collective: office hours - every Tues, 2-4 pm & Wed 12-3 pm 030N SUB.

U of A PC Youth Club: executive meetings every Thurs, TB87 at 4 pm. Everyone welcome. Power Plant afterwards.

U of A Rugby: practices Tues @ 6:30 on Pavillion concourse and Thurs @ 7:30 on Pavillion floor.

Gays and Lesbians on Campus: office hours, MTRF 12-2 pm, 030N SUB. Phone 492-7528.

Muslim Students Assoc: Friday prayers. Meditation room, 12:30 MST (1:30 DST). for more info drop by our office 030E SUB.

Baptist Student Ministries: "Focus" every Mon at 5 pm in 169 HUB. A time to sing songs, worship, discuss issues, etc. "Good News Travels Fast", a bible study about sharing our faith. Every Wed, 10 am in 169 HUB. Everyone welcome.

U of A Pro-Life: actively promotes moral regard for the sanctity of human life from conception until natural death. Meet Mondays, 1-7 Humanities @ 4 pm.

Lutheran Fellowship (LCC): mid-week meetings, Wed, 6:30 pm, Inter-faith Chapel (HUB). More info: 463-7022.

U of A Student Liberal Club: come drop by our office - 030V SUB. Hours: 2-4 pm Mon - Thurs. 12-2 pm Fridays.

Campus Advent: office in SUB bsmt. 030W. Variety of activities posted on door. Come join us.

Keep-fit Yoga Club: offering classes throughout the year. Info: Carol 471-2989 evenings.

Debate Club: meets every Wed 5 pm in 2-42 Humanities. New members welcome.

U of A Scandinavian Club: language tables, Swedish 10 am Wed; Norwegian 1 pm Wed in Arts 312.

U of A Wado-Kai Club: beginners classes, 5:30-7:30 pm, Mon, Fri in W1-14, Wed in SUB basement.

Campus Birthright: support group for pregnant women. Call Campus Birthright at 492-2115 or Bernice at 455-1943.

U of A Go Club: interested in playing the ancient game of Go? Beginners always welcome. Lessons available. Meet every Wed, 7-11 pm, 142 SUB.

Math Sciences Society: activities and social opportunities for students in the Mathematical Sciences. For info visit 549 CAB or call 492-3612.

Tae Kwon Do Club: beginners, men & women, all ages. 6:30-9 pm, Mon & Fri in SUB bsmt, Wed in E-19 Phys Ed bldg. Phone 433-2224.

Dead Comp. Sci. Society (DCS): Thurs, 3:30 pm, GSB 702.

Mature Undergrad and Graduate Students (MUGS): drop in coffeklatsch 10-2 pm. Heritage lounge, Athabasca Hall, Mon-Thurs. \$10 membership. Bring lunch, coffee supplied.

Entrepreneur Club: be your own boss. Join the Entrepreneur club. Room 3-02 Business, 492-5036.

U of A ND: executive meetings every Thurs, 4:30 pm in 606 SUB. All ND activists welcome.

United Church Campus Ministry: "God Talk" study, Fir, 12:15 pm, room 158A SUB. — Worship, Wed, 8:15 am, St. Stephen's College. — Ecumenical Eucharist (Lutheran, Anglican, United), Tues noon hour, room 158A SUB. — Simply making it through the week.

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Society for Creative Anachronism: we recreate medieval life "as it should have been". Wed, 8 pm in 034 SUB or call Will at 433-6856.

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Karate-Do goju Kai Campus Club: beginners always welcome, 5-7 pm, Tuesdays & 6-8 pm Thursdays in SUB rec room.

U of A Bridge Club: meets every Fri, 7-11 pm, TB65. Info: Kun 492-1119.

U of A Musicians Club: new members of all musical interests welcome. Call 464-7383 for more info.

MOOSE Club: the club to end all clubs, needs you to support our cause. Let it be known, MOOSE lives, 030V SUB. Ilia Odio Axtonum Hoytus.

THREE LINES FREE

Psych Beauty: I want to explore mountains and trails with you, and then stop under a tree.... Opus on a Bike.

Love is a three-letter word: Roy! The Polar Bear

SM: You told me to write you a message for your 21st birthday. I won't. Tough luck. Rebellious.

Hey! To the most beautiful, bodacious buddy ever born! You cherub of cheerfulness! Happy B-Day! From E.T., A. of M., Fingers.

J.V. It's difficult for me. I miss you so much. I really do love you. G.N.

Hey Theta Chi's - wouldn't miss it. See ya Friday! GIRLS NEXT DOOR

Blonde, bald LP: whispering smiles, sleepy mornings, rice for the hermits, and long snow pea kisses... The Wheelbarrow King

Oriental Lady: You have a class in Bus currently. I've wanted to know you since last term; your class was LEG R 301 at 1 pm. Oriental Guy

SM: They say fingers get better with age. Happy 21st. Independent Thinkers

TS (aka Mr Sports): Don't just think about it - Do it, do it, do it! Get with the action - call her! Madame X.

A coat of blue and golden hair,/ The same brown shoes and jeans you wear./ If this is mean, then let me know/ By replying here next week or so.

Hey Sam! Get off your butt, call up the woman, get married, have three children, and give me all the money from your life insurance policy! -The hooded avenger.

Slim, 6'2", N/S, male MSc student seeks liberated, secular, green, literate, 30-something female with artsy tastes for disreputable activity. RSVP ASAP, Redondo

MAUREEN: Remember Goose Sat. Mar. 16? Your tears touched me, your dancing moved me. Meet me @ SUB 2 floor outside Dinwoodies Mon. Mar 25 @ noon Jeff

In this great big land of Canada, in the province of the rose/ there is a northern flower just for me she blooms and grows...etc. -The Tex B. Fan Club Charter Member

Ms. Descente, you've caught my eye a pleasing smile and U of S each time you pass by. Only deep regret if I'd never said Hi! Spring Ski '91

Hey Snake, If I cook it, will you come? Call me and we'll talk. Wolfy.

Foods and Nutrition Grads relax, be happy, life goes on — six more weeks! Hang in there!

Forgive her father, for she knows not what she has done — Z Fish

Lavery Gal: My smile's bigger since I met U. The mind's alive of 2 Fateful Fridays. What's 4 an encore? Let me take care of the 22nd. Goose Guy.

Blondene: A big hello to mademoiselle, who I miss very much. Doughhead

Gateway Staff Meeting

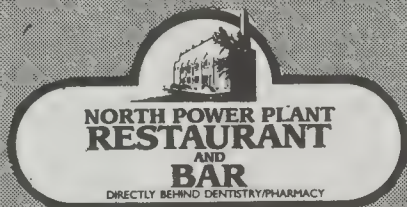
This Thursday, March 21, at 4 pm in Room 282 SUB.

On the agenda:
Change in Staff Party location
Joke Issue Plans
Other Business
Warm Fuzzies

Coming up at the PLANT

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The Grad Students' Association welcomes undergraduates and other members of the University community to enjoy the entertainment and restaurant facilities at the North Power Plant Restaurant and Bar.

CURRENT !!

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The State of the Fees Lawsuit

GSA Executive 1991-1992

by Wolfgang Engler

News on the CRF/MIF lawsuit is mixed. On the one hand, we won; on the other, we must wait once again. The University plans to appeal the verdict of Justice Perras. Pending the decision of the Alberta Court of Appeal, your monies, \$950,000 in total, are to be held in trust by the investment firm of the University of Alberta. This solution seems to be in the best interests of students, who may thereby avoid all legalities of the case, and as well most of the tax problems which could develop. The University is under obligation to expedite the case. As such the appeal may be heard in the very near future. Clearly a resolution before September 1st (of this year) is in

the best interests of all. Optimistically, one might expect a ruling as early as July, to be followed by prompt repayment of the amounts, should the ruling of Justice Perras be upheld. How much would the University have to refund? A good question!! Justice Perras ruled the entire fee to be an invalid levy: the University must repay the full amount (ie. any increase over 1989-90) including that which could have been charged, had the board chosen to follow Provincial law. Further the issue of interest on these amounts must still be addressed. In the event of a GSA victory, the student should expect reimbursement of \$400 to \$525, dependant upon a range of legal considerations.

Two positions on the GSA Executive remain without nominees after the close of nominations on March 18th. The unfilled positions are Vice President (External) and Vice President (Communications). Nominations for these will be opened at the GSA AGM, and will close on at 4.30 pm. on April 8th, four working days before the next GSA Council Meeting. If there is more than one nomination for any

position, then elections will be held on April 15th, at the GSA office during the day, and at the Council meeting in the evening.

Any graduate student may stand for GSA Executive, provided that they submit a nomination form signed by two other graduate students. For further details, please contact the GSA office at 206 North Power Plant, 492-2175.

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GSA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

March 25th 1991

7pm. TL - B2 (Tory lecture theatres)

Agenda items include:

GSA Executive Elections and Announcements

Budget for the year 1991-1992

Speaker Proposal

Special Guest: Dr Paul Davenport, University President.

Come and express your opinion on issues which affect graduate students, both to the GSA and to Dr Davenport.

Editor's Note

Hello and welcome to the first issue of *Current!!* to be distributed in the *Gateway*. This is an experimental issue, if all goes well then *Current!!* will adopt this format on a regular basis. The rationale is simple, at the GSA there has long been the feeling that the distribution system used is ineffective and could be improved. By producing *Current!!* as an insert to the *Gateway* we can reach many more individuals and thus increase the accessibility of the GSA to its membership. We also hope that our articles are of interest to those outside the graduate student population.

All experiments need results. This one will be considerably more successful if we get some feedback on the effectiveness of this new distribution method. So drop us a line at the GSA office, 206 North Power Plant, or call us on 492-2175.

So have a good spring, we're passing the equinox today, and heading for summer.

Love and purple fishes,

Sax.

Jackie Staveley
GSA VP Communications.

SOUNDS

Junior Gone Wild - Feb. 23, 1991

by Greg Pohl

Junior Gone Wild are one of those bands who have been around for many years, and are finally having a reasonable amount of success. Fresh from the Frostbite Festival in Whitehorse, Junior stayed in Edmonton long enough to play a weekend at the Plant, and to attend the ARIA award ceremony, where they picked up 5 or 6 awards, including 'best video', and 'best alternative act'.

Since the release of their second album, *Too Dumb to Quit*, Jr. has been touring almost continually. On this record, they are getting away from that garage-type sound, and into an alternoid/country style. Perhaps this is a result of Bill Henderson, their producer. Henderson was a member of the Collectors, a seriously experimental Vancouver band of the late sixties. (They became much better known when they traded their experimentalism for popularity, and evolved into Chilliwack.) Anyway, those recording sessions convinced Junior to add a full time slide guitar to the band. Now, they've gotten

even more traditional, with guitar and fiddle player Jane Hawley replacing guitarist Steve Loree. A new drummer, Ian Cook, has also appeared recently.

This new mix of members gets the band into some rural territory, but they alternate quite well between all-out country and rock and roll, so it's pretty hard to get bored. The new instruments also allow for some particularly interesting arrangements of some of their older songs. As for the songs, well, Mike McDonald is probably only the best songwriter to ever emerge from Edmonton. He's got that knack for bringing across the trials and tribulations of life in the dirty white underside of society. A comparison that jumps to mind is with Paul Westerberg of **The Replacements**. Particularly good songs are *I Don't Need That Anymore*, about trying to quit drinking, and *I Fell Dumb*, a 'dreaming about girls' - type song. Anyway, Junior put on a pretty good show, before heading off on yet another cross-Canada tour.

by Greg Pohl

This past week has been Graduate Students' Association Week, with all sorts of goings on to distract us from our theses. One of the happenings was the 'Road Hockey on Ice' tournament. This event started last year at the first annual GSA Week. However, it was swamped by the chaos of boycotts and controversial speakers. That year, the only department to field a full team was Entomology, who took on the rest of the known world, and won.

This year, Entomology was joined by several other teams, and some real competition resulted. Some of the highlights included the outstanding goaltending of our GSA prez, Stephen Downes, and some blowouts by the eventual winners, Political Science.

By Thursday, injuries and cold weather had taken their toll, but the diehards still had a wonderful time. I'm still hobbling about, and finding sore muscles I didn't know existed.

Graduate Students' Association Week

The final standings were Political Science - 1st, Entomology - 2nd and Mechanical Engineering - 3rd. Political Science got some Oilers tickets, and the new GSA Road Hockey Cup. Also, everyone who made it to the Power Plant afterwards got leftover prizes from the Gong Show.

Speaking of the Gong Show, the fashionable host, Jan, tells me that it went alright, but that it didn't have a great turnout. Apparently the people who did step forward to make fools of themselves were quite entertaining. Oh well, maybe next year it will really get onto its feet, now that the tradition has been started.

Besides the band night, and the Amnesty benefit, GSA Week also included the march to the Legislature, on Friday March 1st. Incredible numbers of people were out, willing to brave the cold to voice their displeasure over funding cuts. Too bad our politicians didn't have anything to say that was worth standing out in the cold for. The gap between the educated and the ignorant is

widening at an alarming rate, creating a new oppressed class. And instead of trying to educate the masses, the barbarians descend with hatchets and saws. Education is the potential solution to every problem on earth. However, our politicians know that if we all thought about things, they would never get elected.... Anyway, thanks to all who lent their support. Four thousand people in -25°C weather must have left some sort of impression in their thick skulls.

GSA Week ended Saturday, with an alternative film night in the Back Room of the Power Plant. An intimate gathering enjoyed about a dozen videos of the unusual sort. It was refreshing to see these artistic visions, undiluted by the constraints of the mass media. Thanks to the Film And Video Association for bringing them over. And thanks, finally, to all who came out and made GSA Week a happening thing.

GSA WEEK MUSIC NIGHT

by Iain Walker

Tuesday night of GSA Events Week featured four local bands at the venue with the least parking space in the River City - the Power Plant. First up were the Minstrels on Speed, a young gritty guitar band who took me back to the golden age of independent bands in Edmonton at Spartan Men's Club. They warmed up the early evening crowd with a set of original tunes influenced mostly by early '80's 'just say NO to disco' garage rock.

Jongleur then took the stage, and shedding the traditional/folk visage of their component members, proceeded to play LOUD. They are to be commended for playing with less than 24 hours notice (due to digital injuries to a member of one of the scheduled bands) and will be remembered for their 'I like beer' anthem.

By the time Jongleur were finished there was an unusual sight for a Power Plant Tuesday night - standing room only. This not only swelled the coffers of the GSA but also gave some

atmosphere to the bunker-like Power Plant confines. Greasy Lake were piped around the bar and onto the stage, to the delight of all Celts present. They played an all-acoustic (fiddle, mandolin, guitar, banjo and bass) set of bluegrass, old-time country and folk songs that were well received by the crowd.

The Flicks, who are becoming a campus favourite having also played at RATT and Dinwoodie, rounded off the evening. Playing quirky and sometimes exotic arrangements with a seven piece ensemble, they have the fullest and most original sound of E-town's independent pop bands. Their smooth, well polished sound is ideal for the bedancefloored Power Plant, and featured that miracle of genetics - a singing drummer (You try it!!).

So ended a successful evening of entertainment brought to you by GSA enterprises. Many thanks to Atlyn sound for putting up with so many acoustic instruments, and to all the Events Committee members who helped to run the show. See you next time.

Some Final Words on Democracy

'I know no safe depository of the ultimate powers of the society but the people themselves; and if we think them not enlightened enough to exercise their control with a wholesome discretion, the remedy is not to take it from them, but to inform their discretion.'

- Thomas Jefferson

During my four years as a member of the GSA Executive, and especially in my two years as GSA President, I have worked with what some have considered to be undue vigour in the interests of graduate students as a whole. During this time I have paid particular attention to democratic structures and principles. Perhaps - as has been suggested - this seemed idealistic and 'pie-in-the-sky'. But I have always viewed democracy as a foundation, without which no other gains are possible. So perhaps it is appropriate that I expand on this vision.

The GSA is an unlikely place for an experiment in democracy. Its members are few and scattered, not just across the campus but across the province. Most members have the primary and all-consuming task of earning a graduate degree; hence their interest in and awareness of their Association is minimal. But where there is no participation there can be no democracy, and in the GSA when I arrived here four years ago there was certainly none.

I have never viewed democracy as merely a matter of votes and 'majority rules'. And therefore I think that to a large degree our nation is fundamentally undemocratic. For I believe that the objective of democracy is to enable each person to have as much control over his or her life as possible. Votes by themselves do not ensure this; a far greater structure is needed.

In a sense, keeping the GSA weak and ineffectual was ideal, for, aside from an annual levy, it had no impact on the lives of graduate students. It provided a service by operating a bar and restaurant, and a social club for those who wanted one. While perhaps governed despotically, it seemed to have an ideal form of government; it was cheap and didn't interfere with people's lives.

But as I mentioned - we do not live in a democratic nation. The forces which interfere in people's lives are massive and pervasive. As a graduate student this is particularly the case. There is an oppressive poverty which faces many students, especially international students. There is a maze of obscure and arbitrary academic regulations which may

or may not be followed. A graduate student is not an especially free person and therefore for the GSA to be totally ineffective is for it to condone this situation.

What has always motivated my actions is the real pain felt by people who were, in one way or another, victims of economic or academic pressure. They find themselves without rights and without options. There is too much tragedy on this campus for me to simply stand aside.

Hence - however unlikely the scenario - it became necessary for me to pursue the struggle for democracy in the GSA offices.

Why not just become a better despot? First, I do not believe that I could do the job. There is too much work and so volunteers are needed. But volunteers do not tend to react well to despotism, and so a more democratic structure was needed. Second, democracy is more efficient. Why that is the case has to do with the nature of democracy. As I have said - it is not merely a matter of votes. Rather, democracy gives each person the greatest possible opportunity to participate in the decision-making process.

There are two components to this. First, each person must have access to the information needed to form informed opinions. Second, they must have opportunity to express the opinions they have reached. A voting structure is only a mechanism for reaching a compromise on the various opinions. Unless these are well informed and openly presented, no compromise is possible.

Informed and well-considered decisions tend, in my opinion, to be better decisions. Therefore I believe that democracy is better than despotism - even for the GSA.

I have always felt that for a nation to be democratic its institutions must be democratic. The way to promote the rights of graduate students is to promote democracy in the GSA and at other levels of University and local governments.

I look back on my efforts in this area with fond regard, for I believe that we have done much to improve matters in the GSA and on the campus as a whole. Yet I am aware that there is far to

go - the vast majority of graduate students simply don't care (until they lose their funding, or need to file a grievance.)

The University as a whole is slowly and ponderously moving toward allowing staff and students greater input into the decisions which affect their lives. We have made substantial gains at the faculty level, lesser gains at GFC, and very little gain at the Board level. But our wins outnumber our defeats - and once won, democracy is hard to overturn.

There is much I could have done but didn't - but there is always the future, for myself, and for the GSA. For myself, I will continue the struggle for democracy in other forums. For the GSA, there is a foundation which has been built, a momentum which has been gained, and a host of able and dedicated volunteers.

Where do we go from here? I have always maintained that the price of democracy is participation. Those of you who are prepared to eat the fruit of

democracy - an effective GSA, rational decisions at the Board, decent government - must be prepared to plant the seed and tend the garden. For if you do not, you will lose what you have, if not here and now, then sometime and somewhere.

Protect your rights and the rights of others. Speak out. Take action. Join in the struggle - you have nothing to lose but your chains.

Love and peace
Stephen Downes

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GSA COUNCIL REPORT

March 11th 1991.

by Andrew Labun.

For all of you who would like to say farewell to Stephen Downes in one way or another, your last chance is the GSA Annual General Meeting on March 25th, because the March 11th Council meeting was the last for the current Executive. A sense of achievement prevailed at the meeting as Councillors discussed the court case, the salary negotiations, openness in University government, and the proposed budget. In its final action, Council approved a \$2000 honorarium for each Executive member (Executive members were not present for the deliberations or the vote on honoraria.)

There was general pleasure as Council discussed the decision on the CRF/MIF (Continuous Registration Fee/Minimum Instruction Fee) court case, granting the GSA legal costs

plus the return of the entire extra CRF/MIF paid, not just the illegal increase. (This means that the court set the fees as for 1989-90, without the 15% increase added to other instructional fees.) This means that those who paid the fee will be reimbursed \$478 plus interest. There are big however's though; the Board of Governors is appealing. Council, its blood up, voted to reserve \$11,000 to contest the appeal. The fees are still being collected, as many of you know, and the earliest that the money is likely to be returned is mid-summer, should the GSA win the appeal. Therefore people who expect money back would be well advised to leave a forwarding address with the GSA office, just in case the University can't locate them.

The annual negotiations for GA (graduate assistant) salaries were reported on, with

the Negotiations Committee bringing forth an actual salary proposal. Debate on the proposal illustrated the complexity of the current situation: students in straitened circumstances negotiating with a University which is cutting departments. Those who opposed the fairly modest proposed increase pointed out that many graduate students live on or below the poverty line and are faced with rapidly escalating charges from the University, such as tuition and housing. Those who favoured acceptance pointed out that in times of fiscal retrenchment, going for large salary increases was generally unsuccessful and looked upon unfavourably by those paying the bills (ie. the workers and public whose support the GSA has been trying to win). It was suggested that now would be a

good time to go for non-monetary gains (eg. cleaning up unpaid overtime). The decision to go with a negotiated increase was passed by a wide margin.

Council considered releasing the report of the Committee on Structural Changes but decided against such a release. (By the way, thank you to all of you who answered the questionnaire: we had 131 responses from graduate students.) The report had been distributed at the February Council Meeting but at that time no resolutions about it had been moved. Exec. members told Council that results from the survey had been taken into account by those organising student action on cuts. Some members felt that it would be good to release its contents generally, while others felt that its content could be damaging. There was also an argument put forth that its results might not be considered scientifically accurate and that at any rate, its current value had been superseded by other events such as the 4000 person strong march to the Alberta Legislature. Those wishing to read the report should enquire at the GSA office.

On the issue of openness in University governance, the Board of Governors permitted the GSA representative to sit at the last meeting, despite expectations that he would be expelled for breach of confidentiality. It was speculated that they thought the end of his term as President was close enough not to risk a fool for a row.

Finally, the budget proposed by VP Finance Bill James projected a deficit of \$500 for 1990-91 and of \$13,654 for 1991-92. When asked by Councillors suspicious of deficits why this was so, he stated that the GSA was a non-profit organisation and as such was not supposed to generate too much cash. Since the GSA is in a reasonably sound financial position at present, this suggested that it might be a time to ease back. At any rate, some budget items, such as \$11,000 for the CRF/MIF appeal fund, may not be spent. GSA members who would like to take the GSA Executive or Council to task for this or other actions are encouraged to come to the GSA Annual General Meeting at 7pm. on Monday March 25th, in TL-B2 (Tory Turtle).

GSA SPEAKER PROPOSAL

Following is an outline of proposed changes to the current GSA By-laws to incorporate the position of Council Speaker. This matter will be debated at the GSA AGM on Monday March 25th. Notice of this proposal was sent out to Council Members in their AGM mailout. All graduate students have voting rights at this meeting and are encouraged to attend.

A. Outline of the position

1. Responsibilities of the Speaker

- i. Conduct of GSA General and Council meetings.

The Speaker acts as chair for Council and General meetings and conducts these meetings according to Robert's Rules of Order as amended by Council.

- ii. Elections and Referenda.

The Speaker acts as Chief Returning Officer for all GSA and Council Elections and Referenda. Where specified by the GSA Constitution, the Speaker works with a Deputy Returning Officer elected by GSA Council. The Speaker works with the VP Communications to ensure that appropriate notice of election and related information is distributed.

2. Authority of the Speaker.

- i. Confidence in the Speaker.

Confidence in the Speaker's authority to conduct GSA Council meetings is conferred by a majority vote of GSA Council, at which time the Speaker is considered to be 'elected'. Speakers are typically elected for a one year term at the March Annual General Meeting. Speakers may be dismissed by a motion of non-confidence; confidence in one Speaker ends upon the election of the next Speaker.

Confidence in the Speaker's interpretation of the GSA Constitution and By-laws, and of Robert's Rules of Order, is assumed unless explicitly rejected by GSA Council by a majority vote. Non-confidence in a decision does not entail non-confidence in the Speaker.

- ii. Neutrality of the Speaker.

The Speaker has no vote in any vote, election of referendum of any body of the GSA. Votes on motions and referenda which are tied are considered defeated, tie votes in elections are decided by the toss of a coin. The Speaker may not serve as a member of the GSA Executive Committee or of any GSA committee or of any other elected position of the GSA.

B. Constitutional Changes

1. Articles

No articles need be changed.

2. By-laws

2.4 (a) Delete. This removes the President as the current chair of these meetings.

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New Bylaws

4.10 The Speaker shall be responsible for the conduct of GSA and Council Meetings.

4.11 Any decision of the Speaker may be overruled by a majority vote of Council.

4.12 The Speaker is elected and dismissed by a majority vote of Council.

6.5 (f) The Speaker may not stand for election to or be a member of the GSA Executive Committee any GSA committee, or any other elected GSA position.